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**FATAL 'BUS MISHAP.**

**VERDICT OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH RETURNED.**

An inquiry into the death of a Chinese man, Fung Poon (60), who was knocked down by a China motor bus on May 3 near the Mongkok Fire Station and died in the Kowloon Hospital, was held by Mr. Hamilton, sitting with a jury, at Kowloon yesterday afternoon.

Private D. G. Smeeton of "B" Company, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, said that about 3.30 p.m. on May 3 he was in the bus which was travelling towards the Star Ferry. The bus halted at the stopping place about hundred yards before the Fire Station and then proceeded on. Just as it reached the station an old Chinese man ran out from a side street across the road in front of the bus, which was about two or three yards clear of the kerb, and which was proceeding at a normal speed. The driver swerved to the right and pulled up in a few feet. The man must have been struck by the rear side wheel. The driver could not avert the accident, and did all he could have done under the circumstances.

Private W. Crawford of the same Company gave similar evidence. He also was of the opinion that the driver was not to blame for the accident.

Fung Po-chan, the son of the deceased, said that he identified his father's body at the Kowloon Mortuary. His father was a little deaf and was blind in the left eye.

Dr. R. F. S. Court gave medical evidence to the effect that the right leg of the deceased had been shattered and had to be amputated. The deceased was suffering from shock and concussion when brought to the hospital. He had haemorrhage of the left half of the brain and slightly in the right half.

The driver of the bus stated that when nearing the Fire Station he saw the man run across the road. He swerved to the right and put on both brakes, pulling up about eight feet from where the man had fallen. The left front mudguard hit the man, who was run over by the left front wheel.

Sergeant Scrim testified to having examined the brakes and found them to be satisfactory.

The jury then returned a verdict of accidental death exonerating the driver of all blame.

**DEATH OF YOUNG SOLDIER.**

**FULL MILITARY FUNERAL YESTERDAY.**

Attended with full military honours, the funeral took place yesterday at Happy Valley, of Private D. W. Foreman, of 2nd Batt. Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, who died in hospital on Sunday, after a brief illness.

Deceased was one of the youngest members of the Scottish battalion now stationed in Hongkong, and had only seen two years' service. He was popular with both his comrades and officers, and his death has left them with a keen sense of loss.

He was a private in No. 8 platoon, "B" Company, and members of his Company, together with men from other companies, paraded and attended the funeral yesterday.

Capt. Stewart (Company Commander), and company officers were also present, and on the march to the cemetery, the Pipes and Drums played "Lockaber No More."

The Rev. A. F. Mackenzie performed the committal rites, and afterwards the firing party gave the salute, and "Last Post" and "Reveille" were sounded.

There was a large number of wreaths, including those from Capt. Stewart, Officers, N.C.O.'s and men from Headquarters Company, "A" Company, "B" Company, and "C" and "D" Companies, South Wales Borderers and the Hongkong Volunteers.

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Kowloon will have another talking picture theatre when the Prince's Theatre, now nearing completion opens at the intersection of Nathan and Prince Edward Roads. The theatre will probably be opened in about a month's time.

By an arrangement with Hongkong Amusements Limited, the new theatre will screen films that have been shown at the Queen's Theatre, and already several Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, Warner Brothers and Fox films have been ordered.

With accommodation for approximately 2,000 people, the new theatre is particularly spacious, and has been fitted with special equipment to aid the acoustic properties. R.C.A. sound apparatus has been installed.

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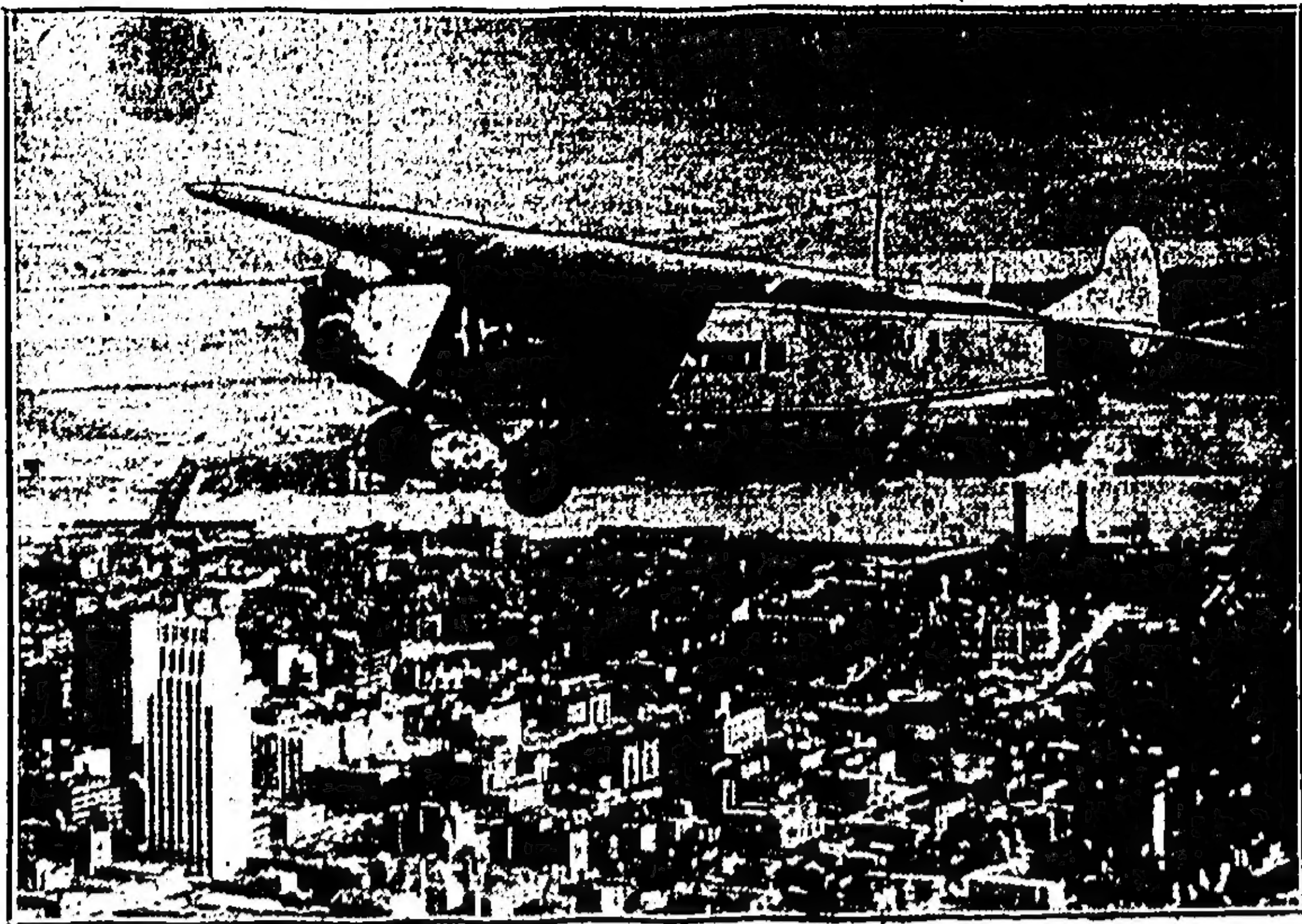
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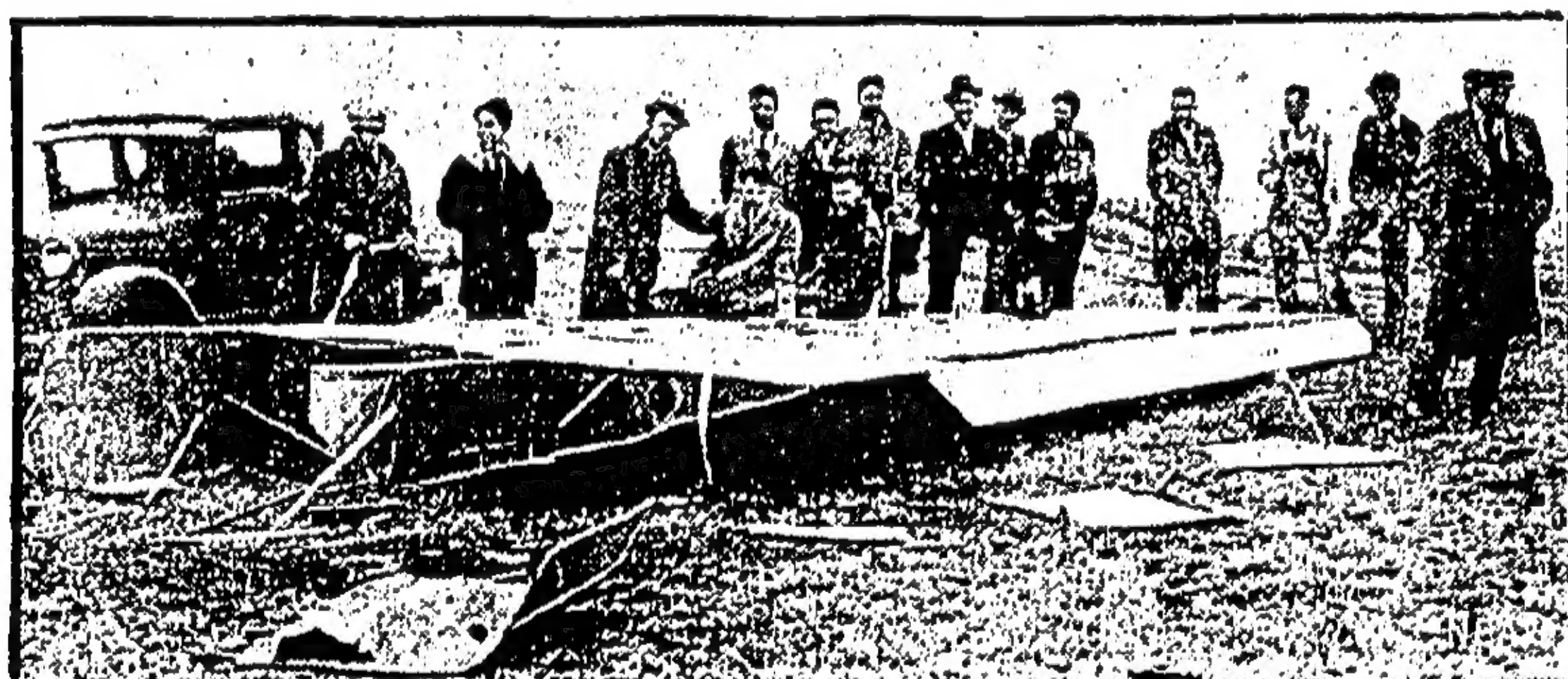




It was in this plane, a ten-passenger, tri-motored machine, that Knute Rockne and eight companions were killed recently. Photo was taken on the occasion of her last previous flight. Kansas City is below.



This remarkable picture shows how the great passenger air-liner in which Knute Rockne was killed, was smashed to bits and scattered over an area 100 yards square.



This wing, which separated itself from the Rockne plane, was practically undamaged when it hit the ground some distance from the main portion.



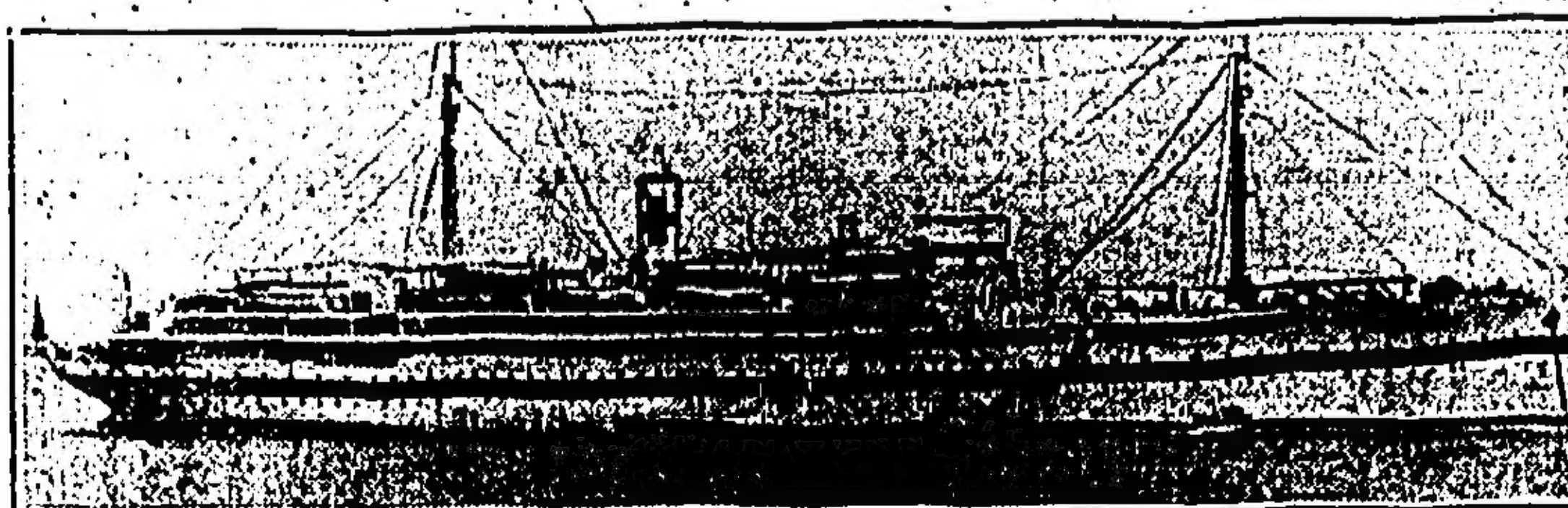
Paddling, the sedate and sagacious penguin of New York aquarium. He has been given a mirror in which to admire himself.



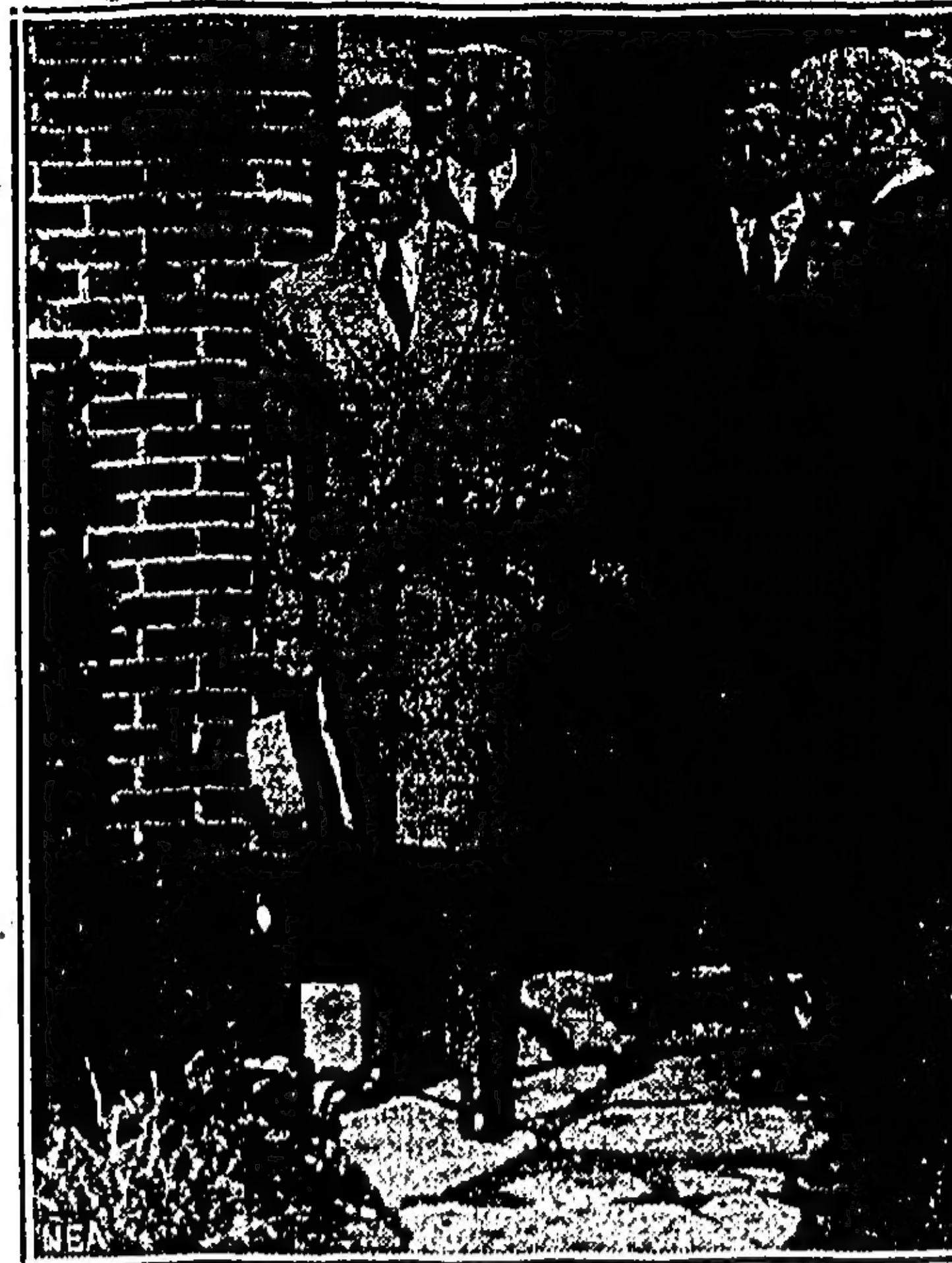
Paul Wupper, former Mayor of Boomer, Nebraska, who has admitted embezzling a sum of \$1,000,000 in his capacity as bank president. Photo was taken when Wupper faced the court at Philadelphia.



M. Leon Trotsky, pictured at Prinkipo, where he is still writing his memoirs, in spite of losses in the fire at the Villa Izzet Pasha.



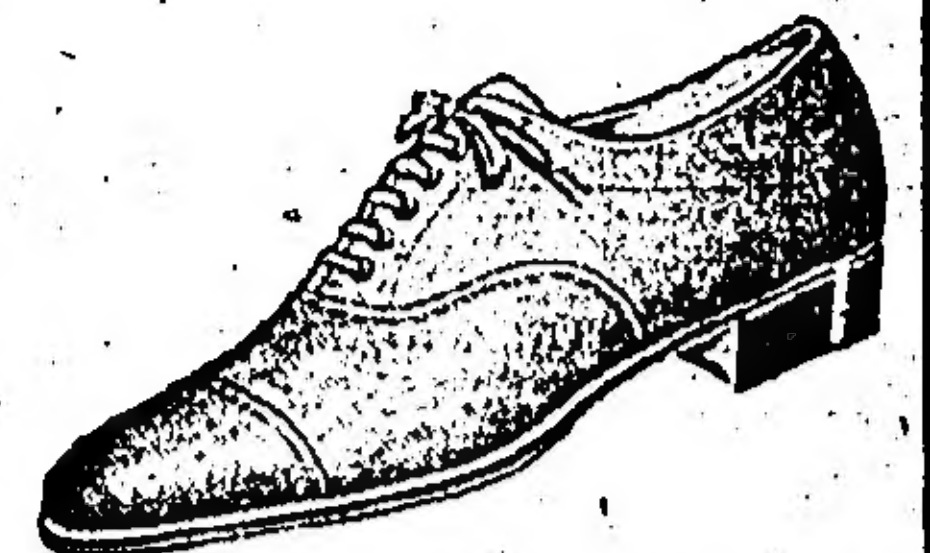
The U. S. hospital ship, Relief, which did good work in the Managua quake.



One of the many thousands who made their way to South Bond to attend the funeral of Knute Rockne, the famous American football coach, was Mayor Jimmy Walker, of New York. He was on his way to New York to answer charges of maladministration in his public office when the news reached him, and he broke his journey. Our picture shows him standing before Knute Rockne's home.

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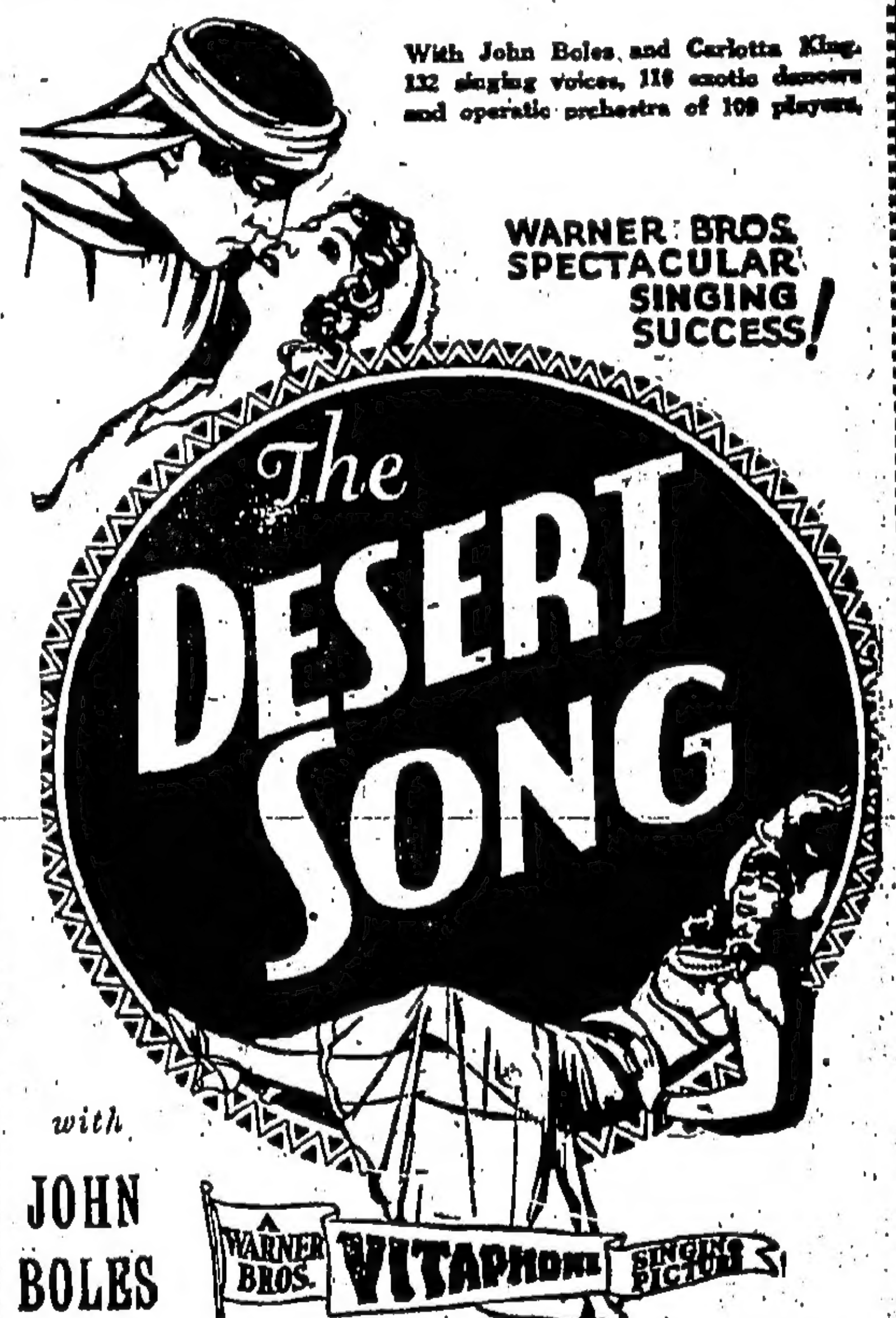
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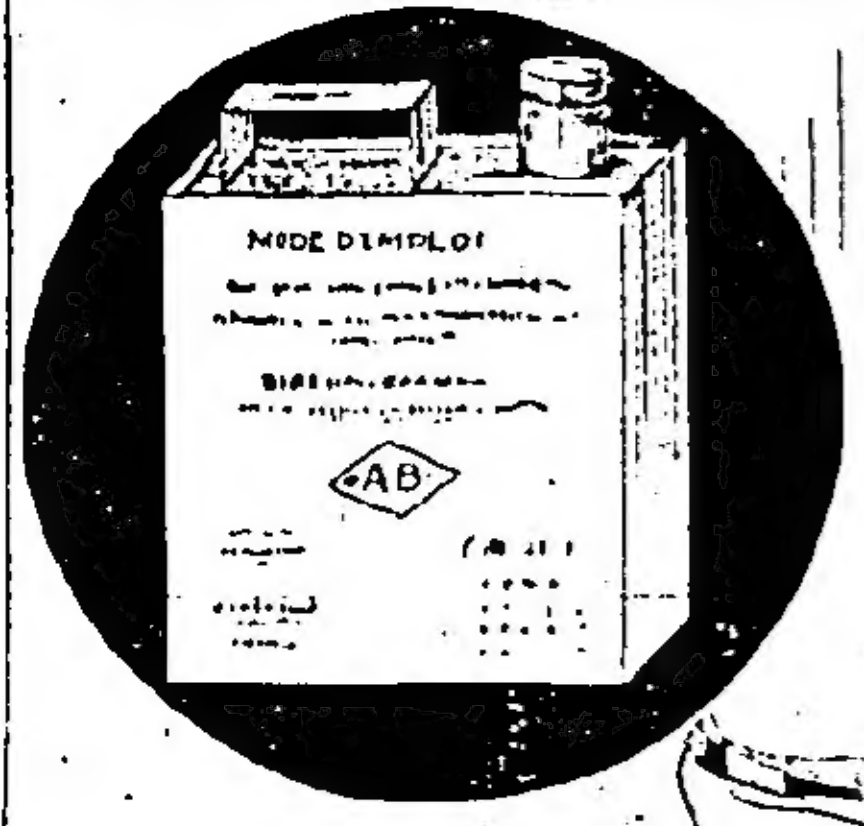
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## WOMEN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

## Japan's Royal Visitors in America.

[By Marlon Hale.]

Washington, April.—A royal rebuke to those tourists who act sophisticated and bored by everything is the Japanese couple, Prince and Princess Takamatsu, brother and sister-in-law of the reigning Japanese Emperor.

The Prince and Princess are on the last lap of a 14-months' around-the-world honeymoon. Yet they looked out on Washington, beautiful in early springtime with its flowering cherry blossoms, jonquils, tulips and other flowers, with a young curiosity pleasing to behold.

They are the first members of Japanese royalty ever to honour the capital with a personal visit. They came with a whole royal suite, including a "master of ceremonies" and a "lady-in-waiting," yet they have the simplicity of great people combined with quiet dignity of royal blood.

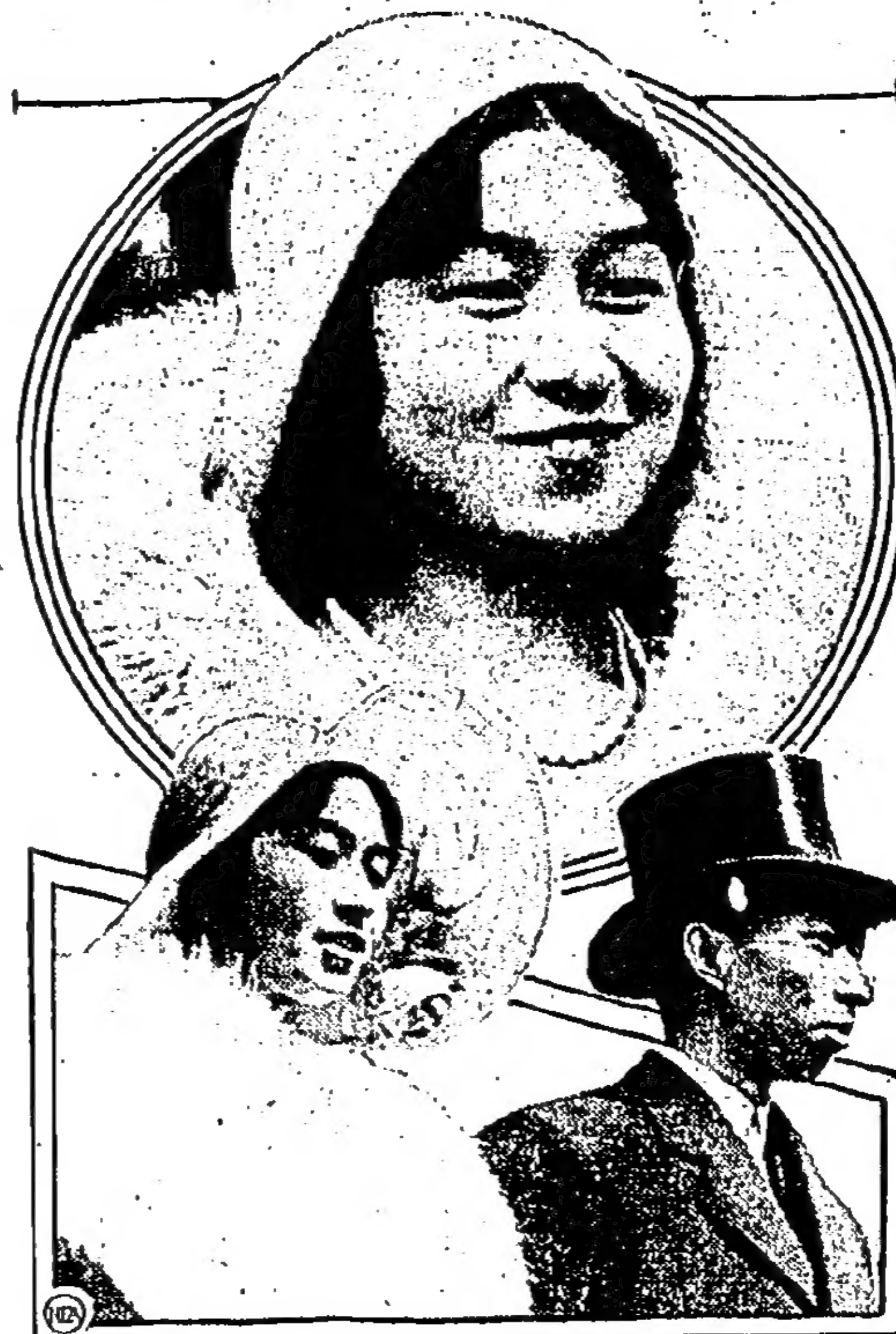
She's a Dainty Princess.

Princess Kikuko (meaning Chrysanthemum) is the daintiest kind of little person. She is less than five feet tall, with a waist that barely measures 17 inches and shoes size one and a half. She is pretty as a picture with classically regular features and shimmering smooth, black hair and gracious as only a Princess knows how to be.

She is as Parisian in her lovely French clothes as her husband is English in his correct London attire. In her 18 trunks—mostly filled with Paris clothes—there are many ultra-feminine costumes, chiffons and soft silks and shimmering satins in pastel colours, blues, pinks, beige, lavender and delicate off whites. Some printed ensembles are included also. She prefers fluffy but luxurious fur, natural lynx, beige, white and silver fox and chinchilla. And her several dozen hats include a predominating number of the "picture" variety, sheer delicately coloured straws, some with a rose or other flower or ribbon tucked here or there for ornamentation.

Wears Bridal Necklace.

Among her evening things, she looks perhaps most exquisite in a diminutive edition of an Empire gown in the most delicate of shell white, embroidered elaborately in tiny unobtrusive beads. With it she wears her famous diamond and platinum necklace that her bridegroom gave her, a matching bracelet of the wide, cuff variety.



This clothes by Paris and London, their manners by Tokyo . . . their ham and eggs by New York and Washington . . . true cosmopolites are the Prince and Princess Takamatsu, shown here in pictures taken after their arrival in America.

and a ring of one singularly lustrous pearl of huge size.

Only on two occasions, so far, has the Princess appeared in her Japanese costume of the traditional kimono. The whole suite, while in America, is doing what Americans do. Even to eating. For breakfast, the typical order from the Japanese royal couple is ham and eggs, hot rolls and coffee for the Prince, and fruit juice or fresh fruit, two soft boiled eggs, toast and coffee for the Princess.

Fortunate it is for the royal couple that they have a strong bodyguard about them. For literally hundreds of Americans have tried to gain an audience. Midgets out of jobs, theatrical

performers who could use a royal okay, singers, dancers, modistes who would like to have their talent known in Tokyo.

They have granted no audiences. Asked about their around-the-world trip, they have said that Scotland reminds them most of Japan of any country they have visited, that they have eaten French cooking in most countries because the best hotels invariably have French chefs, so that they cannot speak of the national dishes of each country. Washington, because of its cherry blossoms, makes them think of home, for which they will sail across the Pacific the 28th day of May.

## HAIR TO MATCH.

No man could ever understand just how much a certain type of woman changes with the clothes she wears.

A lively imagination and a keen sense of what is fitting will make most women who loiter about clothes at all make at least some attempt, almost involuntarily, to live up or down to the clothes she is wearing, or to play the part which they suggest.

Those who thoroughly enjoy the variety lent to their lives by clothes will no doubt rejoice to learn that still more wonderful transformations may soon be possible for them, wrought out not by

the dressmaker, but by the hairdresser.

It is said that Paris hairdressers are playing with the idea of making it possible for a woman to change the colour of her hair almost as easily as she changes her dress.

All sorts of colours will be used, if this experiment succeeds, and they will be washed out and the hair restored to its original colour or another quite easily and frequently!

## DRIVING GLOVES.

A leather gauntlet which will prove invaluable when driving a car, has a small circle of cut glass in the centre, which sparkles when the light shines upon it. In this way the oncoming motorist cannot mistake a signal to stop or turn.

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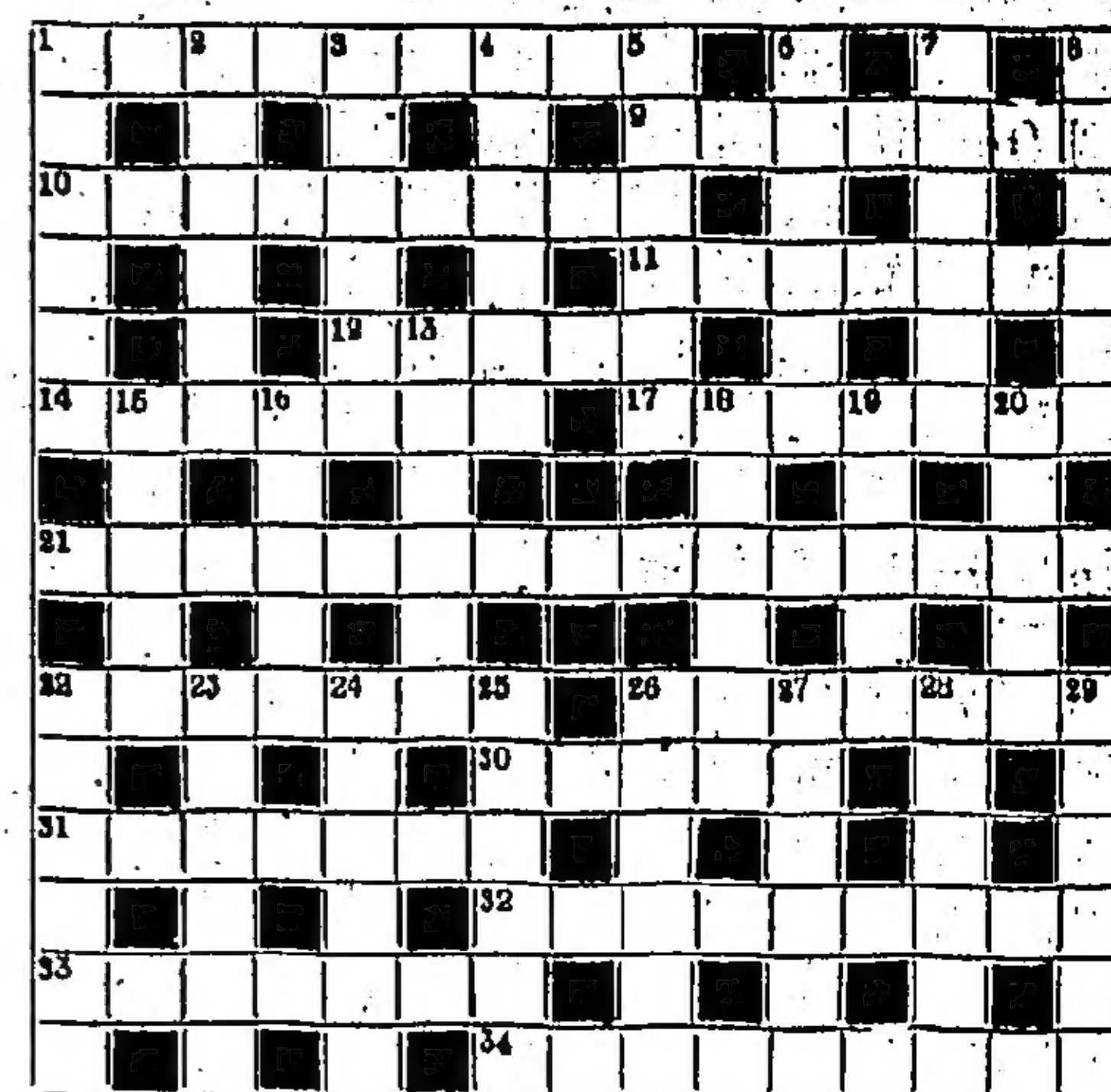
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Across

- 1 An arm is concealed in this peaceful dwelling.
- 2 Go back.
- 3 Pugnacious.
- 4 Nominate or assign—the point is soon, settled finally.
- 5 Correct this.
- 6 Provided for the guests.
- 7 Makeshift.
- 8 What the housewife displays when told that "it come apart in me 'and, mum."
- 9 Cut this out.
- 10 China, sage, or "Soccer" team.
- 11 These may be worn for warmth or show—Fat must be in them, of course.
- 12 Very muddled.
- 13 Provoke.
- 14 The wicked flee without one.
- 15 Finished.

Down

- 1 "And like the baseless—of this vision . . . shall dissolve."—"The Tempest."
- 2 You must give way regarding those days before Easter.
- 3 Steal a letter from a trier and he will become a copper you need here.
- 4 Ran away together, but came back "up de pole," as a gentleman of colour might say.
- 5 Pears.
- 6 Here a sprout possibly is responsible for the excessive astonishment.
- 7 Don't submit.
- 8 May, save eight more.
- 13 Although this has been repaired, the end still remains out of

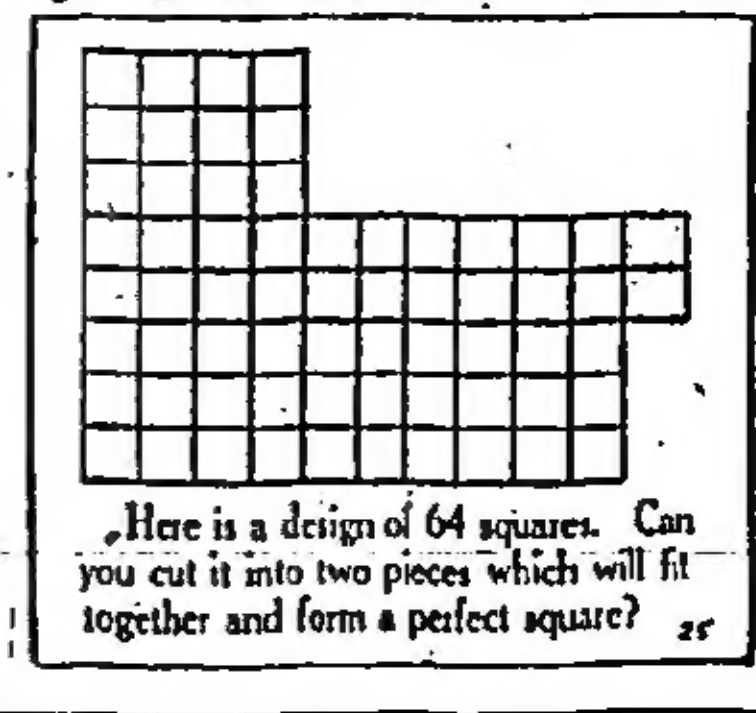
place.

- 15 Seize.
- 16 Have your name put down here.
- 17 How the batsman was out—anything might happen after his century.
- 18 Nullify.
- 19 Class.
- 20 Save this.
- 21 There is something very fine about these—particularly when one is leg-weary.
- 22 Describes a golfer's good lie.
- 23 "Scrape" (anag.).
- 24 He starts by being a low fellow, and is always on the lookout for something for nothing, so—
- 25 this him if you can.
- 26 A piece of water, with at least one prominent character.
- 27 Here we go up down. (Sorry.)

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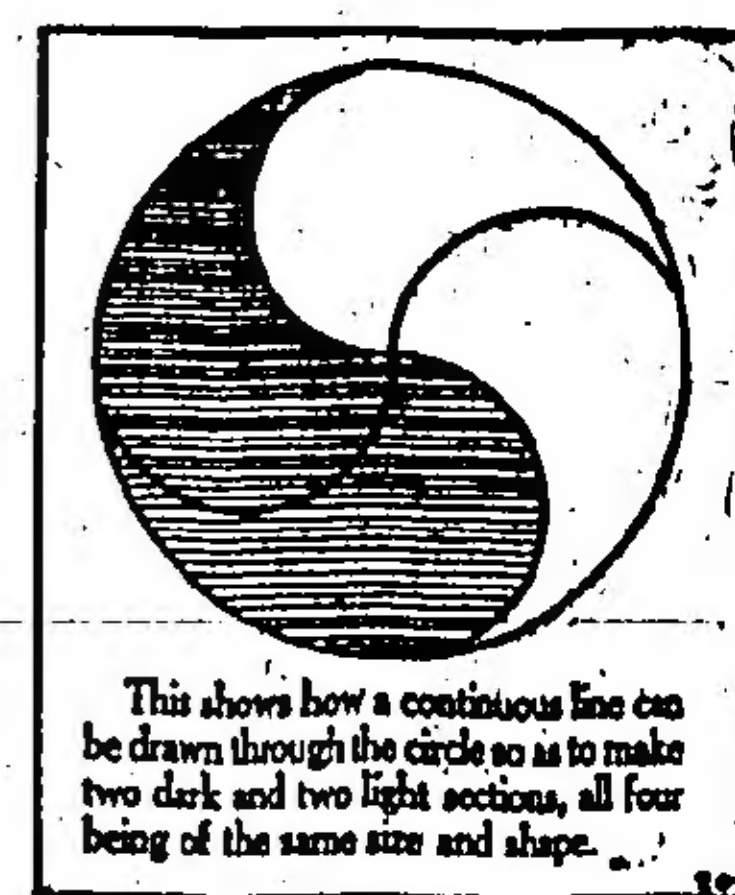
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## STICKERS



Here is a design of 64 squares. Can you cut it into two pieces which will fit together and form a perfect square? 25

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Helsingfors . . . . .	133 1/2	133 1/2
Athens . . . . .	37 1/2	37 1/2
Buenos Aires . . . . .	35 1/2	35 1/2
Shanghai . . . . .	1 1/2	1 1/2
New York . . . . .	48.5 1/2	48.5 1/2
Amsterdam . . . . .	12.10 1/2	12.11 1/2
Stockholm . . . . .	18.14 1/2	18.14 1/2
Vienna . . . . .	34.58 1/2	34.58 1/2
Madrid . . . . .	48.2	48.2
Bucharest . . . . .	817	817
Montevideo . . . . .	307	307
Hongkong . . . . .	11 1/2	11 1/2
Brussels . . . . .	34.04 1/2	34.05 1/2
Milan . . . . .	32.89 1/2	32.90 1/2
Copenhagen . . . . .	18.16 1/2	18.16 1/2
Prague . . . . .	104 1/2	104 1/2
Lisbon . . . . .	108.25	108.25
Rio . . . . .	37.75	37.75
Bombay . . . . .	175.13/16	175.13/16
Yokohama . . . . .	270.13/32	270.13/32
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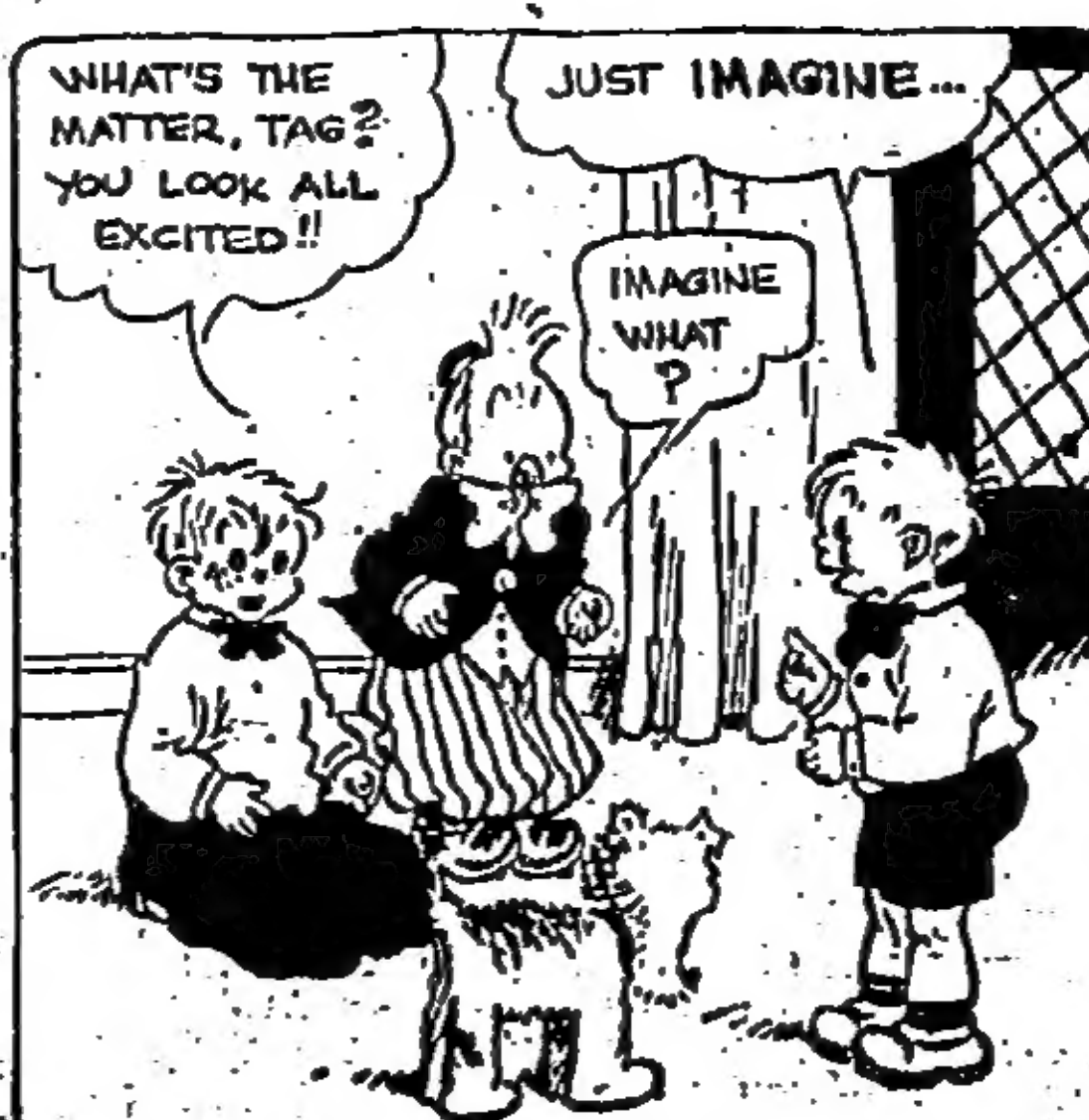
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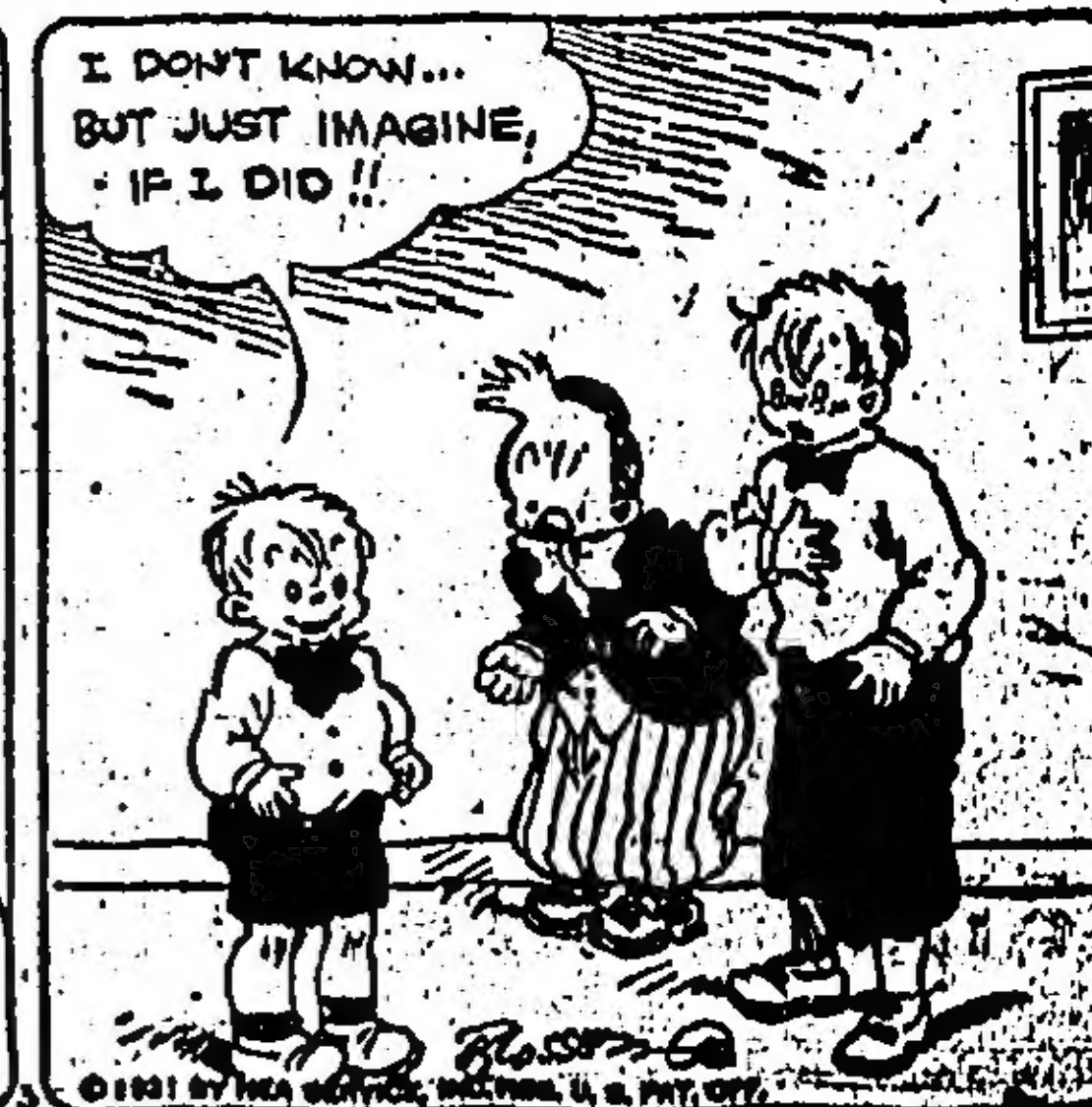
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Mr. and Mrs. W. Roland  
Farmer, of Shamoon, a  
daughter. Both well.

## The Hongkong Telegraph.

TUESDAY, MAY 19, 1931.

## THE PROVISIONAL CONSTITUTION.

It is an irony that the draft of the Provisional Constitution for the government of China during the period of tutelage should be presented to the People's Convention in the absence of the distinguished lawyer who presided over its drafting. We take Dr. Wang Ching-hui's attitude to be that he is convert to the view of Marshal Chiang and other members of the Government that the autonomy of the Party must immediately be modified by a rule of law, to which even the Government must give allegiance; but that he feels that the arrest by the head of the Government of Mr. Hu Han-min is to deny in advance all that the proposed Constitution stands for. He would presumably have fought the matter out in fair debate in the Government, and possibly, in view of the unalterable opposition of Mr. Hu Han-min, have allowed the latter to resign. But he will not countenance the detention of Mr. Hu, and the refusal to allow him to advocate his own views.

If we rightly interpret Dr. Wang's attitude we cannot but fully sympathise with it. In effect it means that both Marshal Chiang and Mr. Hu are wrong. The Marshal has acted with an arbitrariness that augurs ill for the new reign of law. Mr. Hu stands for a literal interpretation of the wishes of the Founder which does not accord with the progress of the Revolution at this point. It may well be also that Mr. Hu's opposition to the Constitution during the time that it was being drafted was not in accord with good constitutional practice. The present organisation of the Government leaves an extraordinary amount of freedom of action to the chairman of the different *yuans*; and there have been some curious instances of divergent policies being followed by different departments, all claiming to represent the Government. Mr. Hu's support of the proposal to borrow silver from the United States of America at the same time that Mr. T. V. Soong was condemning the project is a case in point. Grant-

ed that amount of freedom, however, it is probable that Mr. Hu's public opposition to the drafting of the Constitution may have been improper. In that case the board of censors (Supervisory Board), members of which have now taken up the cudgels on his behalf, was the proper authority to deal with the matter. Instead of that, Marshal Chiang autocratically took action against him. Dr. Wang's position must have been extremely delicate. He carried on with the duty he had undertaken, but on the eve of the meeting of the Convention to which his work was to be submitted went to Shanghai and took his passage on a Japanese boat for Europe in order to take up his position at The Hague on the World Court. Although he has cancelled the passage for the time being he has not returned to Nanking, and proposes in a short time to leave.

The published summary of the Constitution follows the lines already forecast. Two points occur to us as calling for comment. One is the extraordinary speed with which so important a law has been passed. It was presented to an assembly originally called to meet only for ten days, and yet the form of giving it three readings was observed. It is clear that in an assembly in which the passing of this law was only one of a multitude of measures to be considered there could be little or no discussion of the fundamental issues involved. It has merely been registered by a group of delegates by whom detached consideration was not invited, but would not have been permitted. The other point is that the preamble of the law seems designed to mystify the people. It claims that the Convention to which it is presented is the same as the meeting of the people's representatives which is mentioned in the Last Will and Testament of the Founder as a major aim of the Revolution. It is however generally recognised that the meeting was to end the period of tutelage and inaugurate the constitutional period; its business would be to promulgate a permanent Constitution for the nation. The recent People's Convention was not the assembly thus aimed at, nor is the present provisional Constitution the permanent instrument of government which it would have to make. It is difficult to conclude that the Preamble deliberately mixes up these two meetings, in order to add another bit of evidence to the plea of those who claim that this Convention was in the original plan of the Revolution. This is, of course, the point on which the breach between Mr. Hu and Marshal Chiang took place.

## SILK FRAUD AT KOWLOON.

## CHINESE SENTENCED ON TWO COUNTS.

Charged with having fraudulently converted 37 yards of silk of which he was the bailee to his own use, and also with having illegally pawned the same at No. 2, Canton Road, a Chinese, named Mui Chi-yuen, admitted the offences before Mr. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, and was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment on each charge concurrently.

Detective Sergeant Robertson said the accused had been employed by the Loong Hui-tong tailors' shop in Wingssing Street, and was sent out to collect cloth from different places, mostly Indian shops, with which to make shirts. The accused went to an Indian shop in Kowloon Hotel buildings and got the silk from the complainant, Bader Din, with an order to make shirts. Subsequently he pawned it for \$14, though it was really worth \$25. His master went to the Indian shop to collect some bills some time later, and he was then asked about the shirts. He replied that he had not received any silk, and investigations led to the arrest of the accused.

Fourteen days' imprisonment was imposed by Mr. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on Wong Yee who admitted a charge of larceny of three water pipes from a building under construction in Ashley Road, the property of the Hop Yick firm of contractors.

## DAY BY DAY

WHEN A MAN GETS INTO TROUBLE THE FIRST THING HE THINKS OF IS, "HOW SHALL I GET OUT OF THIS FIX?" WHEN A WOMAN GETS INTO TROUBLE HER FIRST THOUGHT IS, "HOW SHALL I BEST BEAR THIS MISERY?"—Winifred Black.

In attempting to run across the road near the Canton Wharf in Connaught Road, a small girl was struck by the rear wheel of a motor lorry which was travelling west and suffered injuries to her left foot.

The return of notifiable diseases for last week shows two fatal cases of typhoid (one imported), and one non-fatal case each of diphtheria and cerebro-spinal fever. There were also 58 deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis. Yesterday's return discloses one case of diphtheria.

With reference to the report of an attempted murder in Parkes Street on Sunday when a Chinese, for some reason unknown was assaulted by another man, it is now stated that the wound which was inflicted by the assailant was caused by some blunt instrument. The victim's condition is still serious.

The Civic Theatre of the University of Denver, of which Mr. Walter Sinclair, formerly of Hongkong, is the Director, has just staged a big success with "Craig's Wife," a drama in three acts. Other plays for the 1931 season are "Society for a Paris," "Hay Fever" and "The Hunchback of Notre Dame." The purpose of the University Civic Theatre is to offer the theatre loving audiences of Denver the enjoyment of worth while plays well performed, thus filling a gap in the cultural life of the city.

## LOITERER ARRESTED BY POLICE.

## SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOUR THE CAUSE.

"Loitering in a public place between the hours of sunset and 6 a.m. and unable to give a satisfactory account of himself," was the unusual charge brought against an unemployed Chinese before Mr. Schofield to-day at the Central Police Court.

Detective-Inspector Kennedy said the incident occurred in Main Street, at 9.30 last night. An hour earlier, when he passed that spot, he had seen the defendant examining the window of the Electric Company's branch. He moved away when he saw he was under observation.

When arrested by witness on the second occasion, he was examining the glass. Two years ago, the same premises had been broken into and valuable electric apparatus stolen.

Defendant declared that he made a living by picking up cigarette ends. The Magistrate thought that business was carried out best in the day-time, not at the late hour at which he was seen by Sergeant Kennedy.

His Worship ordered a surety of \$50 be turned in, effective for a year, failing which defendant was to undergo two months' imprisonment, without hard labour.

On defendant's replying that he could find the surety, he was allowed a remand of 24 hours to enable him to do so.



"So glad to have run into you to-day, dear.—You have no idea how many times I've passed you on the street without attracting your attention."

## FORGET SPEED.

By Captain Bernard Acworth, R.N. (Ret.).

DURING the past month it has been my privilege to discuss with senior naval officers of Flag rank and below, in the engineering, as well as in the executive branches, the merits of the Navy of to-morrow that I have been rash enough to foreshadow.

It is, of course, understood that the number of ships of the three classes in our future Navy forms no part of the argument. Twenty-five battleships, 38 armoured cruisers, 112 small cruisers, 164 small submarines, and other auxiliary craft, merely represent the fleet that our now existing total tonnage makes possible.

The discussion has been confined, very properly, to the first principles of fighting, which each class of vessel embodies, and here I have been greatly encouraged to find a remarkable volume of support, and particularly on the desirability of a return to more conservative speeds, so as to achieve an increase in fighting and resisting power, with a great reduction in the future cost of the Navy, an essential matter if the country is to be converted to a recovery of its maritime supremacy as the safest and most amicable means of ensuring not only its own peace and security, but the peace of the world.

In fairness, however, it must be admitted that a few distinguished officers, whose views rightly command respect, maintain that high speed is a vitally important factor in men-of-war, sufficiently important, in fact, to make the resulting loss of fighting and resisting power, on a given tonnage, acceptable. These protagonists of high speed argue that without those extra knots it may be impossible to bring an unwilling enemy to action.

Overlooking, with some impatience, the many examples of the failure of speed to force action in the late war—Jutland, the East Coast raids, the Goeben, and other instances—they fasten on the Falkland Islands as the justification for their case. But the Battle of the Falkland Islands was entirely exceptional in the circumstances which brought it about. Faulty strategy in the first instance was responsible for the eventual necessity of despatching two great battle-cruisers to deal with two small armoured cruisers. It was an extraordinary chance, not design, that sent the completely outclassed German cruisers, early in the morning, and with good visibility, into the power of two Dreadnoughts which had the whole day before them in which to bombard the Germans at a range outside the range of the German guns.

Fatal to the argument of the speed protagonists is the fact that the higher speed of our battle-cruisers enabled them to utilise a crushing superiority of gun fire at a range beyond the capacity of the opposing guns. Had the German ships mounted long range 9.2in. guns, such as I have advocated for our future armoured cruisers, even 12in. gun battle-cruisers would have received heavy punishment, while our latest 10,000 ton "greyhounds"

When in action a reduction of speed in one fleet is the equivalent of an increase in the other, and vice-versa, and the easing down of the faster fleet is as likely to be necessary for tactical reasons of avoiding large alterations of course as is an increase.

Again, it is commonly believed ashore that a slow ship is an easier target than a fast one, but here again is a fallacy. It makes not one whit of difference which of the combatants is the faster because the necessary adjustments to the sights, and the laying of the guns, are identical in both ships—again because speed, with two vessels in motion, is relative, as travellers in a railway train are quick to appreciate when they pass, or are passed by, a train on the other line.

Indeed, in the last analysis, the only use of superior speed is to enable a ship, or a fleet to avoid action, a result more simply and economically achieved by remaining in harbour. It is essential, however, to repeat, even at the risk of being tedious, that it is the effort rather than the achievement in the latest ships that is outstanding. We, like foreign nations, are installing vast horsepower which are unreflected in speed. Ships fight with their guns and armour and not with their engines and boilers.

In designing our future battle-ships, therefore, we should disregard speed entirely. Our problem is not arbitrarily, and without reference to function, to select a great tonnage—say 20,000 tons—and on this tonnage to mount the greatest guns, and armour that a predetermined speed will permit. Rather, it is to

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**EFFECTS OF LOW EXCHANGE.**

CONTRAST WITH 11 YEARS AGO.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE ANNUAL MEETING.

**SOUND POSITION.**

The effects of low exchange on the accounts of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., figured prominently in the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson's speech when presiding of the Company to-day. It was stated that, as a consequence, the total dollars shown in the balance sheet reached over thirteen million dollars, an increase of nearly six millions compared with the previous year. This was in striking contrast with the position eleven years ago, when, owing to high exchange, the sterling showing reached the unprecedented figure of over £1,700,000.

Reference was made by the Chairman to the very satisfactory financial position of the company, it being stated that the 1930 account should be more than comparable with that of 1929. A good patch had also been struck in the last two years in marine insurance.

**Chairman's Speech.**

Addressing the shareholders, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen, The Report and Accounts having been in your hands for some days, I propose, with your permission, to follow the usual procedure of taking them as read. I would preface the few remarks that I am about to make by stating that I have found it difficult to formulate any true comparison of present-day figures with those of the past. With a Company such as ours, holding considerable sums both in gold and silver, the position necessarily must vary from time to time but never to such an extent as to-day when we see the sterling value of the Hongkong dollar brought into our accounts at 1/1½, the opening rate of the day on the 31st December last.

As the result of "low" exchange the total dollars as shown in our balance sheet, has reached the sum of \$13,328,956.93, an increase of close on \$6,000,000 as compared with the previous year; eleven years ago the reverse position arose owing to "high" exchange and the sterling showing reached the unprecedented figure of £1,709,046. 5. 0. Before leaving this question of exchange, it will probably interest shareholders to know that, of the sterling figure of £1,002,366.19.3 as shown in the balance sheet now before you, over four-fifths is actually in gold, mainly in the form of gilt-edged securities.

**Dividend and Bonus.**

Viewing the position from a strictly silver standpoint, it is with considerable pleasure that your General Agents and Consulting Committee are able to present to you such a satisfactory account as that for the year 1929, the balance of which, viz. \$1,398,056.95, compares most favourably with any of its predecessors. Not only does such balance allow of our recommending an increase in the dividend but also of an exchange bonus of \$10 per share and substantial appropriations to fixed reserves, both gold and silver.

The premium for the year now under review is nearly \$750,000 in excess of that for the year 1928; the figure of loss stands at \$3,511,244.06, the expense ratio at 24.07% as compared with 20.80% and the balance of Underwriting at 12.42% as against 7.24%. You will notice that the figure of interest has risen from \$611,726.89 to \$766,746.70.

**Marine Prospects.**

I have little to say with regard to "Marine" insurance generally; its fortunes are so closely interwoven with those of industry and commerce as a whole that they necessarily must stand or fall together, and who can say which it is to be in these days of slump and "world-wide depression"? We have struck a good patch over the last two years and, though we are doing everything possible to ensure a continuance of such satisfactory results, it must not be gathered therefrom that "Marine" insurance is in any better shape than the several factors to which it looks for its very existence—of these, in particular, I would mention shipping.

Turning to the Working Account for the year 1930, after twelve months, we find a balance carried forward of \$2,541,244.06 which sum is over six and a quarter lakhs better than that for the year 1929, at the same stage. It is early yet to say much with regard to the ultimate outcome of this Account but, judging by the way things are going, we are of

**DANGEROUS LORRY DRIVING.**

A STEADY 28 MILES AN HOUR.

**OTHER TAFFIC CASES.**

In bringing a summons for dangerous driving against a lorry driver, Traffic Sergeant Brown, at the Central Police Court this morning, said he followed the vehicle for 400 yards on his cycle, through several bad bends along Pokfulam Road. The speed of the lorry remained unrelaxed, at 28 miles an hour, this comparing with the 20-mile limit allowed on that road.

A number of coolies sitting on the load at the back of the lorry appeared to be having some difficulty in retaining their seats, while there were many pedestrians on the roadway.

Defendant was fined \$30, after a previous conviction was proved. Several car drivers were fined for having an excess number of passengers, while the drivers of commercial lorries also came under attention during the week, several being summoned for having excessive loads and fined.

In Wongneichong Road, a public-car driver was discovered allowing a sailor, named Anderson, to drive his car, the latter, it is alleged, not possessing a licence. Inspector Nicol mentioned that two other summonses were pending in connexion with the same case, one against the driver and the other against the sailor, and the case was adjourned.

A fine of \$5 was inflicted on a lorry driver, who, it was said, suddenly shot out of a side street into Shaubikun Road without sounding his horn, narrowly missing a collision with Inspector Nicol on his vehicle.

opinion that it should be more than comparable with that for 1929.

**Dollar Increase.**

An analysis for the balance sheet shows that while the total of our assets as expressed in sterling has fallen by some \$15,000, as compared with that for the previous year, in Hongkong dollars it shows an increase of over \$5,500,000; these fluctuations, as already stated in the earlier part of my speech are due entirely to exchange. Fluctuation Accounts shows the very marked increase of over \$1,000,000, this resulting from the appreciation of both our gold and silver investments as compared with values ruling at the end of 1929. Reinsurance Fund is up by some \$1,340,000 and Underwriting Suspense Account by just over \$500,000.

The surplus to be dealt with is \$1,398,056.95, out of which has been paid an interim dividend of \$18 per share. We now recommend the payment of a final dividend at the increased figure of \$32 and of an exchange bonus of \$10, making \$60 per share in all which will absorb \$600,000; we further recommend the addition of \$20,000 to Sterling Reserve, of \$100,000 to Reinsurance Fund and the transfer of the balance, amounting to \$33,342.66, to Underwriting Suspense Account to close 1929 and previous years. The balance of \$2,541,244.06, at credit of 1930 Account, allows of the payment of the usual interim dividend of \$18 for that year.

**Shareholders Benefit.**

In making these recommendations, your General Agents and Consulting Committee have felt that it is only reasonable that shareholders should participate in the very considerable accretion of interest that has resulted from the Company's gold securities, owing to the present low exchange; they do not consider it advisable, however, to increase the definitive dividend beyond a figure that could be maintained with comfort out of interest alone, even should exchange return to a level of 2/-, hence the suggestion of an "Exchange" bonus. They trust that shareholders will take full cognizance of the note appearing in the report wherein it is stated that the continuance of this "Bonus" in the whole or in part, will depend entirely on the future fluctuations of exchange.

It is proposed to raise the Auditors' fees from \$1,000 to \$1,250 for each firm and you will, I hope, confirm this when the proposal for the re-election of auditors comes before the meeting.

I do not think there is anything further that calls for special reference but I shall be pleased to answer, to the best of my ability, any questions arising out of the Accounts which shareholders may wish to put, after the accounts themselves have been duly seconded. I now propose the following resolution:—That the Report and Accounts, as presented, including the payment of a Final Dividend in respect of the year 1929 of \$32, together with an Exchange Bonus of \$10 per share and an Interim Dividend in respect of the year 1930 of \$18 per share; an addition of \$20,000 to Sterling Reserve, of

**BRITISH LEGION BOOK FUND.**

TOTAL OF £123,000 FOR DISTRIBUTION.

London, May, 14. It is announced that as a result of the Prince of Wales' British Legion Book Fund, a sum of £123,000 has been received by the heir to the Throne for distribution.

The Prince of Wales has decided, after consultation with officers of the Legion, that in view of the generous subscriptions from the Dominions and bearing in mind the needs of organizations catering to ex-servicemen, to allocate £20,000 to the British Empire Service League, £2,500 to the ex-Servicemen's Welfare Society, £2,000 each to a number to other organizations and £1,000 to the women's section of the British Legion.

The allocations will leave a balance of £88,500 which will be invested in the names of the trustees for the purpose of forming a fund to be known as "The Prince of Wales' British Legion Pension Fund." Providing for a number of pensions not exceeding ten shillings a week for ex-servicemen and women 50 years of age and over, permanently resident in the British Isles, the Fund will be inaugurated on January 1, 1932.

**WHEAT PROBLEM DISCUSSED.**

BIG CONFERENCE OPENED IN LONDON.

London, May 18. Many problems connected with the world's wheat supplies are being discussed by the International Wheat Producers Conference which opened at Canada House, London, to-day.

Forty delegates from eleven countries were present under the presidency of the Canadian High Commissioner in London, Mr. Ferguson. In an introductory speech, he said the main problem was to assure an adequate reward for the labour of wheat producers without making bread dear. The deliberations should therefore be directed to devising an improvement in the methods of bringing the producer and the consumer together on more equitable terms. Many delegates have brought proposals. Australia, for instance, suggests the establishment of an International Wheat Marketing Organization.—British Wire-Press.

**SHOPLIFTER SENT TO PRISON.**

STOLE ELECTRIC FAN FROM SHOWROOM.

Noticing three Chinese leaving the premises in what seemed to be a suspicious manner, one of the employees of the Hongkong Electric Company's showroom in Des Voeux Road drew the attention of the Manager, Mr. W. E. Orchard, to the men and intimated that he thought they had taken something from the rooms.

Mr. Orchard accordingly followed the men and seized one of them who was wearing a long coat with something bulging under his garment. The man was being taken back to the shop, when, on Mr. Orchard twisting his wrist, an electric fan fell from underneath the coat.

The fan, valued at \$60, was produced in Mr. Williams' court this morning when the thief was charged with larceny and, on his admission of the theft, was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

\$100,000 to Reinsurance Fund and of \$332,342.66 to Underwriting Suspense Account, be adopted and passed."

The report was seconded by Mr. Lo Cheung-shiu, and unanimously adopted.

**Business Matters**

Mr. Ho Kong-long proposed, and Mr. J. H. Seth seconded, the re-election of Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. A. H. Compton, L. Dunbar, Henry Humphreys, T. E. Pearce and A. H. White to the Consulting Committee, this being carried.

On the proposition of Mr. K. Stuart Smith, seconded by Mr. H. Leung, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, were re-appointed auditors at an increased remuneration, from \$1,000 to \$1,250 each.

The Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson presided, and was supported by Messrs. A. H. Compton, L. Dunbar, T. E. Pearce, and A. H. White (Directors), Mr. F. C. Hall (Secretary), and the following shareholders:—Messrs. F. S. Cassidy, J. H. Seth, K. Stuart Smith, N. V. A. Croucher, D. V. Stevenson, Ho Kong-tong, Ho Leung, M. H. Lo, Lo Cheung-shiu, and T. N. Chau.

**UNLUCKY LOTTERY TICKETS.**

COOLIE SAYS WERE BOUGHT FOR FAMILY.

Replying to a remanded charge of possession of four po pia lottery tickets, an elderly coolie told Mr. Schofield this morning that the tickets were bought on his family's account, there being a ticket apiece for each individual member of his household. He produced his wife and two grown-up daughters in substantiation of his plea.

Defendant smiled broadly when his Worship pointed out that the tickets were unlucky ones in the sense that they had brought about the present proceedings. He was asked if he would like to have the tickets returned to him.

Defendant shook his head vigorously. He was let off with a caution, the tickets being confiscated.

**KOWLOON PUPIL'S SUCCESS.**

WINS PEACE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP.

We are informed that A.H.S. Skinn, Form VI, Central British School, who sat for the Peace Memorial Scholarship last December, has been awarded this Scholarship.

It is of the value of £450 a year for three years and tenable at any University, no restraint being placed on the prizeman as to the country in which he may desire to prosecute his studies.

**FORGET SPEED.**

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to determine the least tonnage that will adequately mount an ideal gun armament and armour, and give the armament an ideal gun platform in a seaway, the speed of the ship being accepted at the figure that the tonnage so determined makes possible—a speed of about 17½ knots.

**SURGERY WITHOUT FEARS.**

By F. A. MACKENZIE.

IN pre-war days I was operated on for appendicitis. Recently I had another "major abdominal" operation. The contrast between the first operation and the second amazes me, and my experience may help to hearten some folk who have to face the surgeon.

The pre-war operation was performed in the most modern way then known, and the surgeon was one of the "most skilled" of his day. His work could not have been bettered. But when I recovered consciousness after the anaesthetic, I experienced twenty-four hours of acute misery, and when at last morphia was injected, it was an established principle that not to give sedatives if possible—it left a bad "kick" behind in its train.

**The Cheerful Doctor.**

The second operation was performed in the Charing Cross Hospital, but I understand that the methods used there are now generally employed.

When I arrived in the anaesthetic room a cheerful doctor glanced at me. How was I feeling?—Fine? That was good. Would I like to be conscious during the operation? I hastily replied in the negative.

"Hold your arm still a minute," he said. "I want to give you this injection."

And I remember no more until I awoke back in bed. One is made temporarily unconscious now before receiving the full anaesthetic.

When I came to I had further agreeable discoveries. First, there was no sickness. What this means to the patient I cannot put into words. One of the injections I had received ahead apparently settled that. Next, a new technique in sedatives has evidently been found. Morphia was given more readily and left no "kick" behind it.

At the end of 24 hours I could scarcely believe I had passed through what once was a hell. I do not want to pretend that big operations are holiday experiences. They are still a serious ordeal and a shock to the system. But much of the acute misery that once accompanied them has disappeared. That was my experience, and that was the experience of many others with whom I talked in the ward of Charing Cross Hospital.

**RADIO BROADCAST**

KO SHING THEATRE RELAY.

To-day's radio programme to be broadcast by Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 865 metres: 6.00-6.50 p.m. European Programme of Columbia Records kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.

6.00-6.21 p.m. Children's Programme. Nursery Rhymes-Medley. The New Century Quartet. DB327-328.

Story-The Little Man Who Had a Little Gun. Helena Millais. 6.59p. Story-The Little Old Woman and the Queen that Came to Tea. H. Millais.

6.21-6.48 p.m. Orchestral. Mon Lac (Witkowski). Robert Casadesus (Piano) and Orchestra Symphonique of Paris. 9.25p.

The Two Imps (Alford). Dancer of Seville (C. Grunow). Sir Dan Godfrey conducting the Bourmouthe Municipal Orch. 9.50p. Noche de Arabia (Arabian Night) (Arbois).

Madrid Symphony Orchestra. 9.58p. 7.00 p.m. (Stock Quotations). 6.48-7.33 p.m. A Concert. Song-Trees (Kilmer and Razbach). Dame Clara Butt (Contralto). X337. Celeste Octet-An Irish Love Song (Squire).

Celeste Octet-An Old Church Legend (Trinon). J. A. Squire Celeste Octet. DB422. Song-The Midnight Review (Newmarch-Glinka).

Robert Easton (Bass). 9.41p. Violin Solo-The Zephyr (Hubay). Violin Solo-Valse-Bluetie (Drigo-Auer).

Efrem Zimbalist. 9.51p. Song-A Fairy Went A-Marketing (Fyelman-Goodhart).

Song-Down Here (O'Reilly and Brahe). Dame Clara Butt (Contralto). PB5. Cello Solo-Mazurka (Poppo).

Anton Salin. 9.58p. Celeste Octet-Evening Lullaby (Squire).

Celeste Octet-Evening Song at Twilight (Squire). J. H. Squire Celeste Octet. 4.98p. 7.59-8.00 p.m.

Pianoforte Recital-Moments Musicaux (Schubert) by Ethel Leginska. 4.88p-4.89p.

8.00 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report. 8.05-11.30 p.m. Ko Shing Theatre Relay.

8.00 p.m. (Rugby Mid-day Press News). 11.30 p.m. Close Down.

**UMPIRE'S AWARD ATTACKED.**

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to decide a point which was never in the minds of the parties at all. Both parties proceeded on the existence of the amended contract as the basis but, for some reason, Mr. Shields had found that there was no such contract. In coming to his decision, Mr. Shields must have been guided by something entirely outside the four corners of the evidence before him, and must have proceeded merely on some view of his own, which the law did not permit him to do.

**Errors of Law.**

Dealing with errors of law, Mr. Potter said that on the face of the award Mr. Shields found the only contract was of May 4, 1929, and immediately went on to note that Hang Shun went asking for high volatile coal, to which Husain agreed, with certain reservations. Thus, the umpire had, himself, disclosed another contract. There, was, he said, a manifest mistake in law and the position was inexplicable.

The case is proceeding.

**OPIUM POSSESSION CASE.**

INFORMANT SOUGHT FOR IN COURT.

Charged with the possession of 150 taels of contraband raw opium, a Chinese, arrested by Revenue Officer Ward in a raid yesterday afternoon at No. 26, Lee Yuen Street East, declared that he was the principal tenant of the cubicle in which the stuff was found.

He gave the name of Wong Fat-suen as that of the individual who he believed would be able to explain the presence for the man named.

"He was here a few minutes ago," he told the Magistrate. A further search having proved abortive, a remand of 48 hours in police custody was ordered to enable further enquiries to be made.

**HOSPITALS SWEEP.**

NO BOOKS OF TICKETS TO BE ISSUED.

Dublin, May 14. It is officially announced that no more books of tickets for the Irish Hospitals' sweep on the Derby will be issued, although the official closing date for receiving subscriptions is May 23. The prize money will definitely exceed \$1,000,000.

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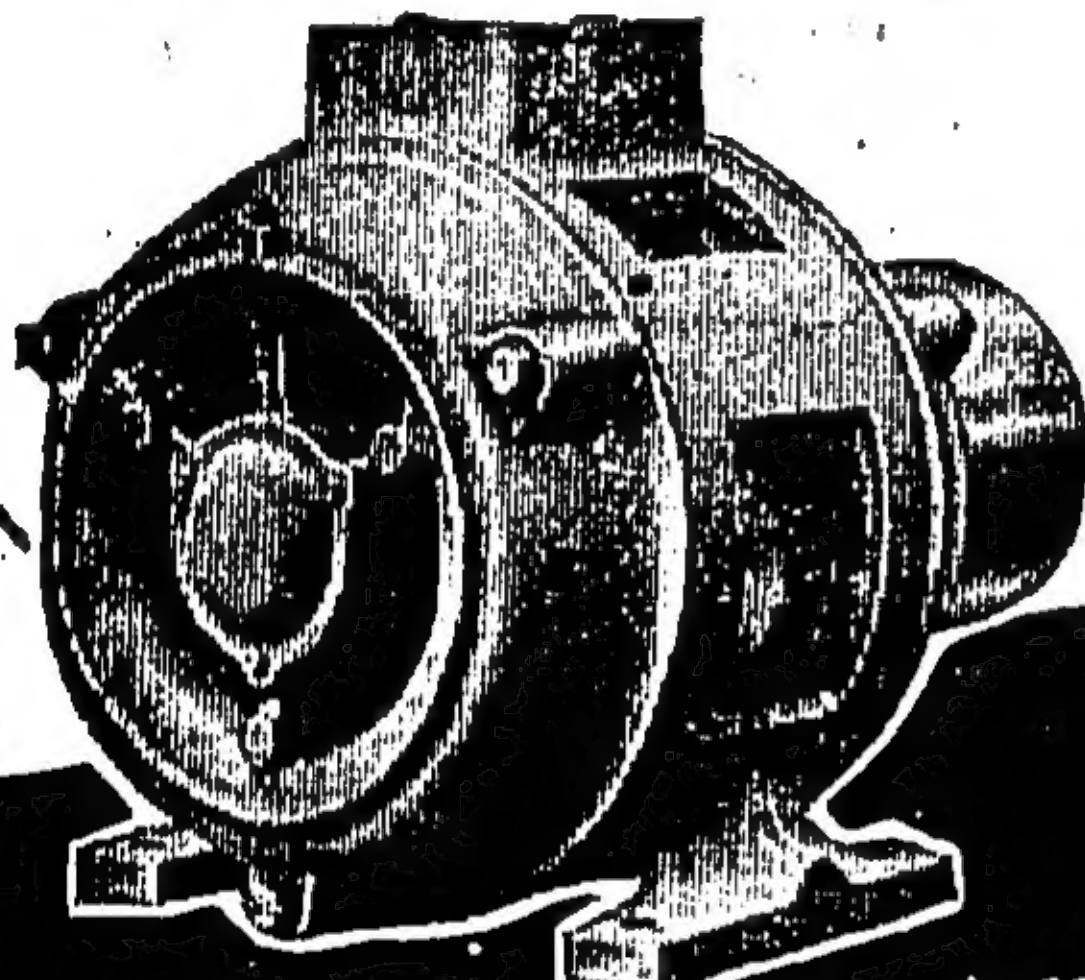


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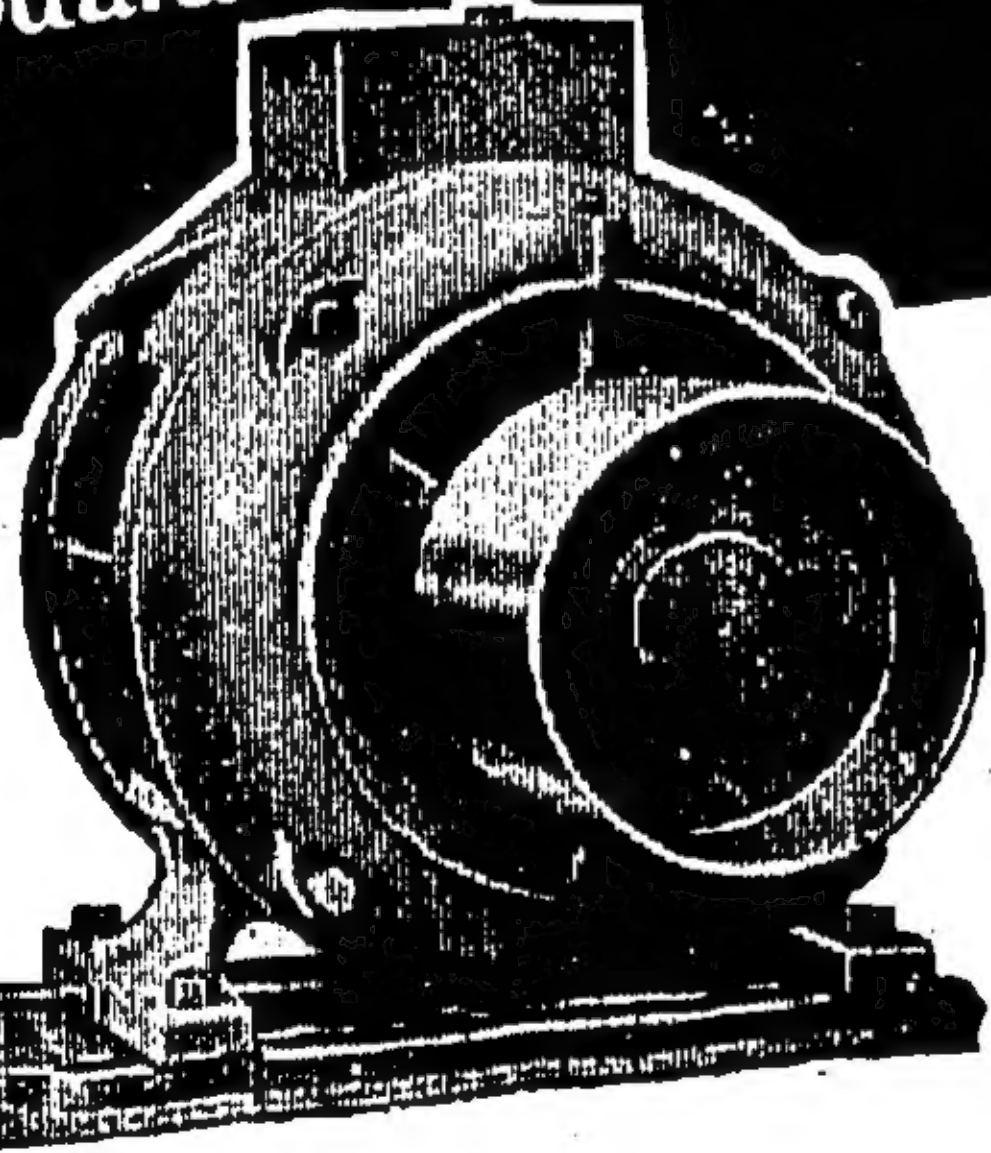
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The third annual Children's Sports of the China Light and Power Recreation Club were held on Saturday last at the Club's Sports Ground, at King's Park.

Plenty of fun was provided for the children, including various races, coconut shies, brain tests, etc. The races were well contested and the children all enjoyed a good afternoon's entertainment.

The arrangements for the sports were carried out by Mr. David Lyon, who proved himself a very able organizer. He was assisted by Mr. J. Young (Handicapper), Mr. Wood (starter), Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Bertram, as Judges.

After the races were finished, the children sat down to tea, the arrangements for which were carried out by Mrs. Murray and Mrs. Young. The adults (including members and their friends) numbering about thirty, were entertained to tea and several races for them were included in the programme.

The Secretary, Mr. White, made a speech and asked Mrs. W. J. Brown to present the prizes. A basket of flowers was presented to Mrs. Brown by Pamela Crofton on behalf of the Club.

##### Results.

Girls Race, under 5 years.—1, June Tinson; 2, Jean Grady.  
Boys race, under 5 years.—1, Douglas Bertram; 2, Tom Mitchell; 3, Jack Tinson.

Girls race, 5 to 9 years.—1, Emily McKelvie; 2, Sheila Bruce.  
Boys race, 5 to 9 years.—1, Malcolm Hale; 2, Robert Hall.

Girls race, 9 to 14 years.—1, Sheila Bruce; 2, Pamela Crofton.  
Boys race, 9 to 14 years.—1, Malcolm Hale; 2, Raymond Lawrence.

Girls Skipping Race.—1, Pat Hambling; 2, Florence McKelvie.  
Boys race, under 6 years.—1, David Randall; 2, Gerald Young.

Girls Potlato race.—1, Pat Hambling; 2, Emily McKelvie.  
Boys Potlato race.—1, Tony Weller; 2, Malcolm Hale.

Thread the needle race.—1, Mr. and Mrs. Tinson.  
Gents' Three-legged race.—1, Mr. G. Moss and Mr. H. Brown.

Ladies' Egg and Spoon race.—1, Mrs. Tinson; 2, Mrs. Taylor.  
Veteran's race.—1, Mr. G. Moss; 2, Mr. H. Brown.

All the children were provided with prizes from the Bran Tub and Mrs. Tinson was responsible for the arrangements regarding the prizes.

The thanks of the Club are due to all who assisted in making the afternoon sports so successful, and the Committee would like to express thanks to the Kowloon Cricket Club for the loan of the marker and to the Club de Reoerle for the loan of chairs.

#### THE EPSOM DERBY.

##### THE LATEST BETTING FIGURES.

Local betting on the Derby, which is to be run at Epsom on June 3, is as follows:

- 7-1 Cameronian.
- 8-1 Jacopo.
- 8-1 Poldine.
- 10-1 Lemnarchus.
- 10-1 Goycesca.
- 16-1 Orpen.
- 16-1 Philae.
- 16-1 Dr. Dolittle.
- 18-1 Roi De Solite.
- 20-1 Tippetts.
- 20-1 Heritage.
- 25-1 Coldstream.
- 33-1 Comes.
- 33-1 Estate Duty.
- 33-1 Fermenter.
- 66-1 Paul Pry.

#### CINEMA NOTES.

##### "THE DESERT SONG" AS SCREEN OPERA.

It is singularly fitting that "The Desert Song," the screen first opera, should be produced by Warner Brothers, whose introduction and development of the Vitaphone is solely responsible for the advent of the speaking photoplay "sound film."

Presenting the first "sound film" when they released the John Barrymore production, "Don Juan," with a synchronized orchestral score, Warner Brothers next included actual talking in Al Jolson's "The Jazz Singer." Then followed many other productions making a constantly added use of the Vitaphone, and finally several which were "all-talking."

As a climax to their endeavours they have produced the glorious musical play, "The Desert Song," which comes to World Theatre on Thursday.

The all-star cast appearing in the screen version of "The Desert Song" includes John Boles, Louise Fazenda, Carlotta King, Johnny Arthur, John Miljan, Marie Wells, Jack Pratt, Edward Martindel, Otto Hoffman, Myrna Loy, Robert E. Guzman, Del Elliott and a magnificent singing chorus of one hundred voices.

87 Planes in "Hell's Angels." "Hell's Angels," the most extravagant film spectacle of all time, is now playing at the Queen's Theatre.

"Hell's Angels" is the sensational air-war film which was produced and directed by Howard Hughes at a cost of \$3,000,000 and after three years of continuous filming.

This widely-heralded production was given a spectacular dual premiere in New York at the Criterion and Gaiety Theatres. The critics unanimously and enthusiastically acclaimed it, while millions flocked to both theatres and set up new box-office records for Broadway.

Howard Hughes, 25-years-old multi-millionaire, began the filming of "Hell's Angels" three years ago, when he determined to create the most lavish and realistic film-drama ever attempted. Critics everywhere agree he has accomplished his aims and today he is the most spectacular and colorful individuality in the film industry.

Exactly 87 airplanes of true war-time vintage, assembled from all parts of the world, were used in the filming of "Hell's Angels," and in one scene alone 50 planes are shown in action simultaneously on the screen.

A Zeppelin sequence, which technicians and laymen alike agree is the most impressive sequence ever screened, is another highlight of Hughes' aerial extravaganza.

More than 100 pilots and upwards of 20,000 players and technicians took part in the making of "Hell's Angels," which is admittedly the first authentic and realistic reproduction of a world war in the air.

Ben Lyon, James Hall, Jean Harlow, Lucien Prival and John Darrow head the cast.

"Beau Bandit."

Motion Picture audiences have demanded that outdoor pictures supplant the stage-like problem plays which have consistently been produced since the inception of talking pictures.

Radio Picture is among the first to supply the request for outdoor dramas with "Beau Bandit," all-talking thriller of the west, now playing at the Central Theatre. Filmed entirely in natural locale in the Mojave valley in Arizona, "Beau Bandit" is a welcome departure from interior studio sets.

Red La Rocque, one of the foremost of the silent screen actors, who has found the new medium perfectly suited to his talents, plays the leading role in most competent fashion. It is his first western picture role, but he plays like a veteran plainsman.

An unusual surprise for picture fans in "Beau Bandit," is its leading feminine role. Doris Kenyon is seen in the part, and it is a new Doris Kenyon, who, besides proving herself one of the best of dialogue film actresses, sings as well. The song is "Just a Little Kiss," composed by Harry Tierney of "Rio Rita" fame. Miss Kenyon has a rich, pleasing

#### WHEAT QUOTA ATTACKED.

##### DISCORDANT FACTOR IN IMPERIAL RELATIONS.

London, May 13.

An attack on any proposal for a compulsory quota system for milling British and Dominion wheat was made by Lord Arnold in the House of Lords to-day as being uneconomic and involving higher price to the consumer and also introducing a discordant factor into inter-imperial relations, tending to provoke retaliation by other countries.

Lord Arnold alluded to Argentina, which was unlikely to increase her consumption of British goods if the quota was introduced.

Lord Parmoor, for the Government, said if the quota was found to be impossible without some food tax he assumed it would be dropped, but he was unable to see why it was impossible. Whether they could formulate a satisfactory scheme at the Imperial Conference at Ottawa remained to be seen. He assured Lord Arnold his speech would be carefully considered.

voice, cultivated by two years of concert work in eastern cities. Recent appearances on New York concert stages marked Miss Kenyon as a most accomplished vocalist.

A number of western rodeo champions make up the sheriff's posse seen in "Beau Bandit." The film was directed by Lambert Hillier, director of scores of the greatest successes of Tom Mix, Harry Carey and William S. Hart.

Featured players include Mitchell Lewis, in an unforgettable "heavy" role, Walter Long, Charles Middleton and George Durvay.

"Beau Bandit" will close its run today at the Central Theatre.

"Young Man of Manhattan."

Clauette Colbert, who is one of Broadway's most popular idols, will be seen and heard in "Young Man of Manhattan," Paramount's film version of Katharine Brush's best-selling novel, at the Central Theatre to-morrow.

Miss Colbert recently appeared as the heroine in Maurice Chevalier's starring picture, "The Big Pond." One of her earlier movie successes was "The Lady Lies" in which she was co-starred with Walter Huston. She began her Broadway stage career several years ago after emigrating to New York from her native Paris.

"Young Man of Manhattan" is a story of the lives of newspaper folk. Norman Foster, who made his debut with Miss Colbert in the original New York stage success, "The Barker," plays the role of Toby McLean in the new film. Charles Ruggles is co-starred with them in the comedy part of Shorty Ross.

"Anybody's Woman."

A woman of the world, with many complexities in character which undergo a process of refinement on contact with a stimulating influence, is the difficult role portrayed by Ruth Chatterton in the picture in which she co-stars with Clive Brook, now being shown at the King's Theatre under the name of "Anybody's Woman." Those fans who have seen her in productions previously shown here, had expected much from the participation of Ruth Chatterton in this picture, nor were they disappointed, for they were given one of the finest character delineations seen in any picture. Playing opposite her, Clive Brook makes an admirable figure, comically irresponsible in his moments of contact with the liquor flask, and superbly convincing in his snarling moods, as the husband who takes an unconsciously long time in realising the worth of his wife. A news reel and musical feature complete the current programme at this Theatre.

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## CANTON COUP DEPLORED.

VARIOUS LEADERS URGE A CESSATION OF STRIFE.

Shanghai, May 18. A Hankow message states that the Provincial Governments of Hunan and Hupeh have wired to Gen. Chan Chai-tong urging him to desist from stirring up civil strife, pointing out the fate which met Feng Yu-shiang and Yen Hsi-shan, who had a considerably larger army.

A Nanking message says Gen. Chang Hsiang-shiang and other important Manchurian leaders, including Chang Tso-hsiang, Wan Fu-jin and Tsang Shih-yi, the Governors respectively of Kirin, Heilungkiang and Fengtien, have issued a circular telegram deploring the events at Canton, urging the necessity for settling political differences by peaceful means, and finally pledging support to the Central Government against any attempt against its security.—*Reuter.*

## BRITISH IRON AND STEEL TRADE.

WORKMEN OPPOSE TARIFF ON IMPORTS.

London, May 18. Area conferences of the iron and steel trades, representing 60,000 workpeople, on Saturday, approved, with a few dissentients, a series of resolutions which are to be presented to the Government as the unions' proposals for the future of the iron and steel industry.

They are the unions' alternative to the policy of a tariff on imported steel, which the employers advocate. The unions reject the tariff, and urge that the industry should be brought within the control of a public utility corporation, organized on a national basis, and seeking to control the home market by international agreements with competing countries.—*British Wireless.*

## HOME FLAG DAYS.

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London, May 18. The total sum collected in the streets of London for various charities by means of flag days last year was £264,631, representing an increase compared with 1929 of £7,415.

Alexandra Rose Day and British Legion collections accounted for more than half the year's total sum.—*British Wireless.*

## DUTCH AIR MAIL.

EXTENSION TO AUSTRALIA WELCOMED.

Sydney, May 18. The first Dutch air mail, which is an extension of the normal service from Batavia, has arrived and the airman have been officially welcomed.—*Reuter.*

## ENJOYABLE BRIDGE AND WHIST DRIVE.

FUNCTION AT SAILORS' AND SOLDIERS' HOME.

The Committee of the Ladies' Church Aid of the Wanchai Wesleyan Church are to be congratulated on the splendid arrangements made for the bridge and whist drive which they held in the new Sailors' and Soldiers' Home yesterday afternoon. Their efforts were well rewarded by an attendance of over sixty, and after tea had been served, bridge and whist was played until nearly six o'clock.

Bridge prizes were won by Mrs. Hollands, Mrs. Atkins and Mrs. Wadmore, whilst the prizes for whist went to Mrs. Ling, Mrs. Kerr and Mrs. Vickars.

The arrangements were in the capable hands of Mrs. S. Hamer and a band of loyal helpers, whilst Mrs. J. C. Knight, Antway very graciously presented the prizes.

One of the lady players left her handbag behind, and we are asked to state that it can be had upon application to the manager of the Home.

## CHINESE BANDITS.

"CRIMINALS WHO ELUDE THE POLICE."

London, May 18. A regretful negative reply was given by Mr. Dalton in the House of Commons to a question whether the murderers of lady missionaries and the bandits who captured the late Father Tierney had yet been apprehended by the Chinese Government.

He asked for notice of a question as to when the British Government last made any communication on the subject, and said he was satisfied that the Chinese Government was doing its best. He pointed out that China was not the only place where criminals sometimes eluded the police.—*Reuter.*

## BODY IN HARBOUR.

THEORIES AS TO DEATH OF BOATMAN.

The body of a Chinese, about thirty years of age, was found floating in the water off West Point about 3.30 p.m. yesterday. No marks of violence or anything to show that he had come by his death by foul means were found. The Water Police removed the body to the mortuary, where it was subsequently identified as that of Wang Cheung, a boatman who was reported missing from cargo boat No. 1046 V on Saturday. The police believe that the man either fell overboard and was drowned accidentally or else he committed suicide.

## EGYPTIAN ELECTIONS.

FURTHER SHOOTING ON CLOSING DAY.

Cairo, May 18. The elections end to-day. Troops were obliged to fire on a crowd at a village near Mitgami, and six people were wounded.—*Reuter.*

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## SEVERAL DENIALS.

RUMOURS ABOUT THREE BRITISH MINISTERS.

London, May 18. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Philip Snowden, is reported to be rather better. Although confined to his room at his official residence in Downing Street, he continues to take an active interest in the affairs of his department, and Treasury officials are constantly in consultation with him.

A report that he is contemplating resignation from his office, and is likely to become a Peer and to be appointed Colonial Minister, is denied. Mrs. Snowden declares the report is a pure invention.

A rumour that the Colonial Secretary, Lord Passfield, intends to resign, is also denied; and Mr. Lees Smith, the Minister of Education, has also denied a report that he is likely to be made a peer.—*British Wireless.*

## BIG STRIKE STARTS.

WORKERS IN NORTHERN FRANCE OBEY.

Roubaix, May 18. The strike order issued yesterday has been obeyed by 100,000 out of 150,000 workers.

The majority of the Belgian employees are still working.—*Reuter.* [A message dated May 17 stated:

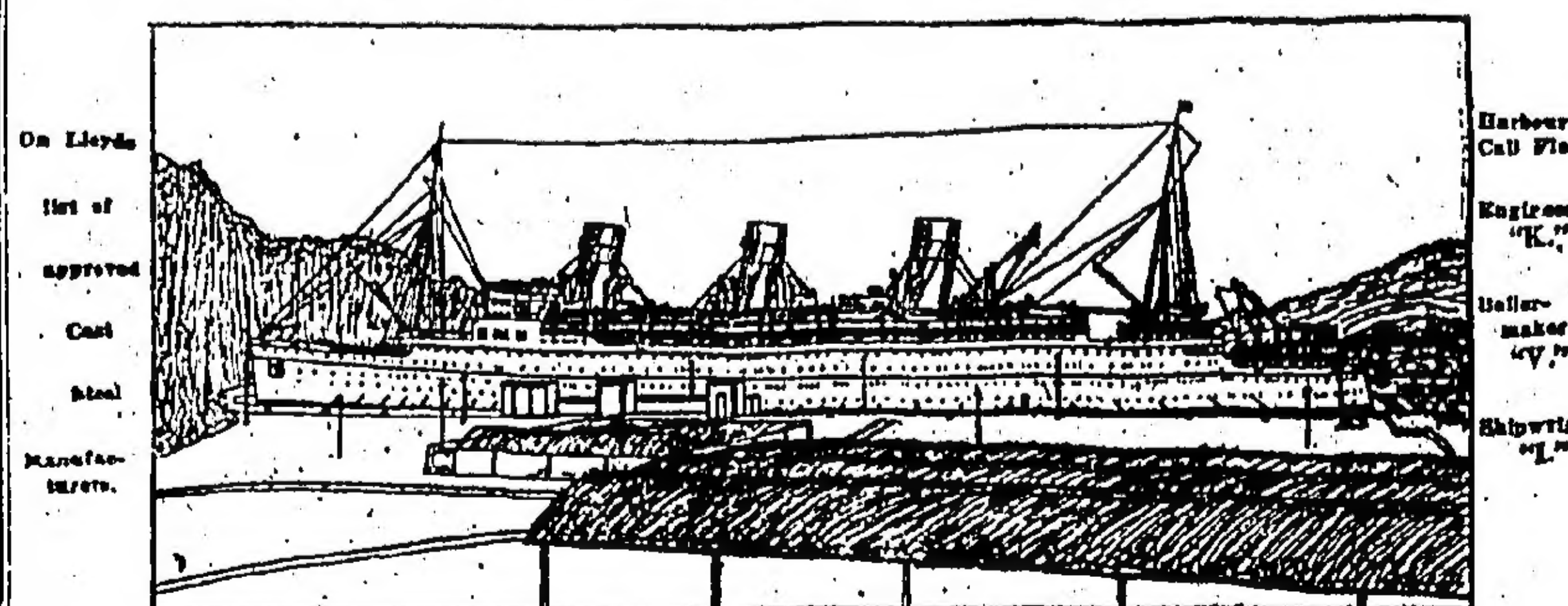
One hundred and twenty-five thousand workers in the Roubaix-Tourcoing zone have been ordered by the Textile and General Workers Union to strike on Monday, in opposition to the employers' proposals to reduce wages. Gradually, the metal workers, transport workers, and engineers engaged in textile factories will support the strike.]

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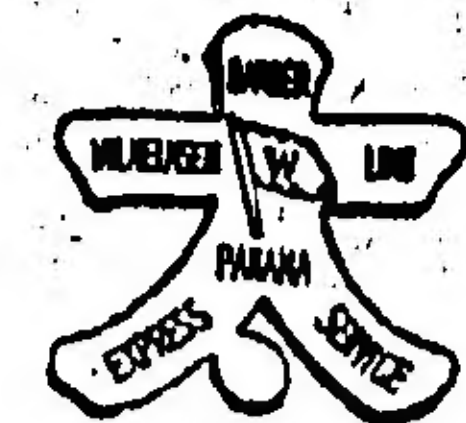
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*KASHGAR	9,000	4th July.	M'los, L'don, R'dm & A'werp
RAWALPINDI	17,000	18th July.	Bombay, M'los & L'don
*PERIM	7,700	25th July.	M'los, London, H'burg, Rotterdam & Antwerp
*KHYBER	9,000	1st Aug.	M'los, L'don, R'dm & A'werp
*SOMALI	6,800	8th Aug.	M'los, L'don, Hull, H'burg, R'dm & A'werp
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## PLAN TO AVERT REBELLION.

**NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE  
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## DISBANDMENT FUNDS

Shanghai, May 19.  
Fearing a rebellion by the Kuomintang and Shansi forces in North-Western China, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek is negotiating with the Shansi commanders through General Chang Hsueh-lung aiming at a settlement of the disbandment disputes which have caused considerable resentment among the Shansi leaders.

Following the instructions of Marshal Chiang, General Chang has sent a telegram to Gen. Sheng Chen, Chairman of the Shansi Military Council, informing him of the decision of the Nanking Government to assist the Shansi Government with \$1,000,000 a month. The Shansi leaders are asked to send delegates to Nanking to interview Mr. T. V. Soong concerning the disposition of the military funds.

General Chang is understood to be leaving this morning for Peking where he will stay directing the rehabilitation of financial affairs at Peking and Tientsin.

The Secretary of General Chan Ming-shu, ex-Civil Governor of Canton, told newspaper correspondents that Gen. Chan Ming-shu is leaving for Japan on holiday and as soon as the Canton troubles were quelled he would return to his post in the South. — *Reuter.*

## TILDEN THE WORLD CHAMPION.

**RICHARDS BEATEN FOR  
DOUBLE TITLE.**

Philadelphia, May 14.  
William T. Tilden to-day won the professional lawn tennis championship of the United States and of the world when he defeated Vincent Richards in the third of a series of matches which began in the Madison Square Garden, New York, a week ago. Tilden won by 6-4, 4-7, 7-3, 6-2.

## AIRSHIP'S SUMMER PROGRAMME.

**ZEPPELIN TO MAKE SIX  
ATLANTIC TRIPS.**

New York, May 18.  
Six crossings of the Atlantic ocean between Friedrichshafen and New York will be made by the German dirigible Graf Zeppelin during the coming summer, it was announced here to-day by Mr. Martin Wronsky.

The representative of German aeronautical interests also announced that Luftthansa, the great German aviation combine, is planning a five days mail service between the capitals of Europe and the principal cities of the United States.

Further details of the plans for the Graf Zeppelin this summer and for the airmail operations of Luftthansa will be announced in a few days.

## HONOUR FOR BRITISH MOTOR MAGNATE.

**OXFORD CONFERS DEGREE  
ON SIR WM. MORRIS.**

London, May 12.  
Oxford University honoured its leading industrial citizen to-day by presenting an honorary degree to Sir William Morris, of Morris car fame. The Public Orator in presenting Sir William referred to his recent visit to Argentina and expressed the hope that its patriotic purpose will be fulfilled. Sir William is 63 years of age, was born in Oxford and in 1904 married an Oxford lady. He is chairman on no less than nine different motor car companies and of the Morris Oxford Press, Ltd.

## STRANGE PLANE APPEARS.

**DROPS PAMPHLETS OVER  
PEKING.**

Shanghai, May 19.  
A delayed Peking telegraphic message states that Peking residents were startled by the mysterious appearance of a strange plane over the city on Friday morning. The plane flew over the city several times, distributing numerous anti-Nanking pamphlets. The machine later left flying in a south-westerly direction.

## INDIA SAFEGUARD ISSUES.

**RESERVATIONS RECOGNISED  
AS ESSENTIAL.**

## COMMONS STATEMENT.

London, May 18.  
Answering a series of questions directed to elicit information as to acceptance of the necessity of safeguards in the Indian Constitution by Mr. Gandhi the Secretary for India Mr. Wedgwood-Benn, said the published result of the constitutional discussions were to be resumed on the scheme outlined by the Round Table Conference, and that it was explicitly recognised that just as a Federation and Indian responsibility were an essential part of the scheme, so also were reservations or safeguards in the interest of India for such matters as defence, external affairs, minorities and the financial credit of India.

Replying to other questions, Mr. Benn stated that he hoped soon to be in a position to announce the decisions reached as a result of the consultations of the Viceroy as to date of the resumed session of the Federal Structure Committee.

In the meantime informal discussions on the subject of constitutional reform in all its aspects were taking place all over India, but it was at present proposed to set up any committees or other bodies in India to deal solely with the provincial aspects, except in the case of the special problems of the North West Frontier Province, Sino and Orissa. — *British Wireless.*

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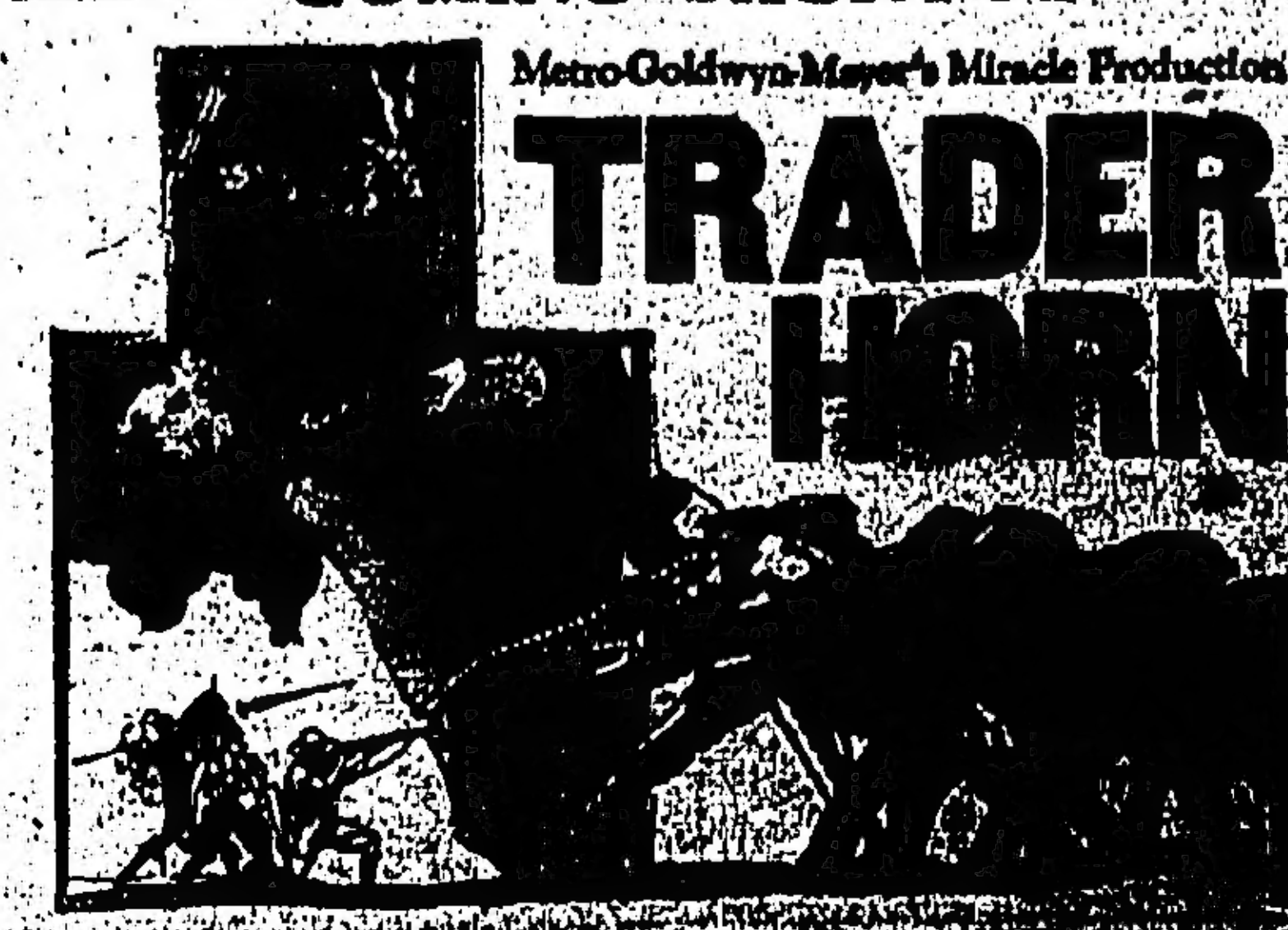
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